

Closed Caption Log, Council Meeting, 04/24/08

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Mayor Wynn: I'M MAYOR WILL WYNN AND IT'S MY PRIVILEGE TO WELCOME PASTOR KERMIT BELL FROM THE CHURCH OF GLAD TIDINGS TO LEAD US IN OUR INVOCATION. PLEASE RISE.

BOW YOUR HEADS WHILE WE PRAY. FATHER WE COME TO YOU NOW IN THE NAME OF YOUR SON, JESUS CHRIST, AND WE THANK YOU FOR THE LEADERS YOU HAVE GIVEN OUR CITY. WE THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING US TO LIVE IN THIS BEAUTIFUL CITY AND WE ASK THAT YOU WOULD BLESS AUSTIN. YOU SAID IN JEREMIAH 29: 7 TO SEEK THE PEACE OF THE CITY WHERE I HAVE CAUSED YOU TO LIVE AND PRAY TO THE LORD FOR IT FOR IN ITS PEACE WE WILL HAVE PEACE. FATHER, WE THANK YOU FOR THE PROSPERITY THAT AUSTIN HAS ENJOYED IN RECENT YEARS, AND WE ASK THAT YOU HELP US BE GOOD MANAGERS OF THIS BLESSING. WE THANK YOU FOR A STRONG ECONOMY AND MANY JOB OPPORTUNITIES. WE THANK YOU FOR THE ABUNDANCE OF RESOURCES WE ENJOY, CLEAN WATER, AIR, AND A WONDERFUL QUALITY OF LIFE. YET IN THE MIDST OF THESE WONDERFUL THINGS WHEN WE LOOK AT OUR CITY, WE QUICKLY RECOGNIZE THAT WE ALSO HAVE TREMENDOUS NEEDS. LORD, FORGIVE US FOR BROADCASTING VIOLENCE AND SEX AND CALLING IT ENTERTAINMENT. FORGIVE US FOR TURNING OUR BACKS TO THOSE IN NEED AND CHOOSING SELF-PRESERVATION. FATHER, FORGIVE US FOR NOT DEFENDING THE RIGHTS OF EVERY PERSON, INCLUDING THE UNBORN. FORGIVE FISHER HOUSE CLOSING OUR HEARTS TO THOSE WHO ARE DIFFERENT THAN WE ARE AND CALLING IT TOLERANCE. PROVERBS 14: 34 SAYS GODLINESS MAKES A GREAT NATION, BUT SIN IS A DISGRACE TO ANY PEOPLE. AS ONE REPRESENTATIVE OF YOUR CHURCH, LORD, I ASK YOU TO HELP US PARTNER WITH OUR CITY GOVERNMENT TO REDUCE THE CRIME RATE, INCIDENTS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, TO HELP THOSE WHO ARE CAUGHT IN THE TRAP OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE. WE REJOICE THAT THINGS ARE BEING TRANSFORMED IN AREAS LIKE THE ST. JOHN'S NEIGHBORHOOD, AND WE ASK THAT YOU WOULD MOBILIZE YOUR CHURCH AND YOUR PEOPLE TO COULD THE SAME IN OTHER AREAS LIKE THE RUNDBERG LANE AREA AND THE GEORGIAN NEIGHBORHOOD. WE IMPLORE TO YOU HELP STRENGTHEN MARRIAGES AND FAMILIES, PROVIDE JOB TRAINING, MENTOR YOUTH AND IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR EVERY PERSON LIVING IN OUR CITY. PROVERBS 11 SAYS UP RIGHT CITIZENS ARE GOOD FOR A CITY AND MAKE IT PROSPER. FINALLY, WE ASK FOR YOUR WISDOM IN EVERY DECISION THAT WILL BE MADE TODAY. WE ASK THAT EACH DECISION WILL PROVIDE

JUSTICE AND EQUALITY FOR THOSE INVOLVED. HELP OUR LEADERS TO DO WHAT IS RIGHT, EVEN WHEN IT IS NOT EASY. HELP THEM TO CHOOSE THE HIGH ROAD EVEN IF IT MEANS PERSONAL SACRIFICE. AND LORD, I'M REMINDED OF WHAT ONE OF OUR FOUNDING FATHERS SAID, IF A SPARROW CANNOT FALL FROM THE SKY WITHOUT YOUR NOTICE, CAN WE EXPECT A NATION TO RISE WITHOUT YOUR HAND? FATHER, WE PRAY THAT OVER OUR CITY THAT YOUR HAND WOULD BE UPON OUR CITY. WE PRAY THAT YOUR MERCY WOULD FLOW THROUGH OUR STREETS UNTIL EVERY CITIZEN HAS FELT THE IMPACT OF YOUR PRESENCE. AND MAY GOD BLESS AUSTIN, TEXAS. AMEN.

Mayor Wynn: I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO PASTOR BELL AND REMIND FOLKS THAT THE CHURCH OF GLAD TIDINGS FOR THE LAST 15 YEARS HAS BEEN WORSHIPPING IN THE NORTH CENTRAL AUSTIN, ALLENDALE, CRESTVIEW AREA. COUNCILMEMBER MARTINEZ?

Martinez: THANK YOU, MAYOR. I WOULD LIKE TO JUST ASK FOR A MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR FORMER STATE REP AND RAILROAD COMMISSIONER LENA GUERRERO WHO PASSED AWAY IN HER SLEEP. SHE SERVED FROM 1984 TO 1991. SHE WAS APPOINTED BY GOVERNOR RICHARDS TO THE RAILROAD COMMISSION. WAS THE FIRST HISPANIC AND THE FIRST FEMALE MEMBER OF THE RAILROAD COMMISSION. AND SHE IS LOVED BY MANY FOLKS IN THIS COMMUNITY WHO GOT TO KNOW HER. AND I JUST ASK FOR A MOMENT OF BRIEF SILENCE, PLEASE.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. THERE BEING A QUORUM PRESENT, I'LL CALL TO ORDER THIS MEETING OF THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL. IT IS THURSDAY, APRIL 24TH, 2008, APPROXIMATELY 10:25 A.M. WE ARE IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE CITY HALL BUILDING, 301 WEST SECOND STREET. SO COUNCIL, BEFORE I WALK THROUGH THE CHANGES AND CORRECTIONS AND THEN ULTIMATELY PROPOSE A CONSENT AGENDA, I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ASK IF THERE ARE LIKELY UPCOMING ITEMS FROM COUNCIL OR ISSUES THAT WE IN THE PUBLIC SHOULD BE AWARE OF. COUNCILMEMBER MARTINEZ.

Martinez: THANKS, MAYOR. THERE'S A FEW ITEMS THAT I WILL BE BRINGING FORWARD OR ATTEMPTING TO BRING FORWARD ON MAY 8TH COUNCIL MEETING. I OBVIOUSLY WANT TO TALK TO YOU GUYS MORE ABOUT IT. ONE IS GOING TO BE THE SOUTHWEST KEY SCHOOL NEAR JOHNSTON HIGH SCHOOL. WE FOUND OUT THIS WEEK THAT IT'S MORE THAN LIKELY THAT JOHNSTON HIGH SCHOOL WILL BE EITHER SHUT DOWN COMPLETELY OR REPURPOSED AND SEVERELY LIMITED IN TERMS OF PROVIDING HIGH SCHOOL EDUCATION TO THAT COMMUNITY. SOUTHWEST KEY HAS BEEN REQUESTING A LOAN FROM THIS BODY FOR QUITE SOME TIME NOW TO FINISH THEIR PROJECT OUT THERE. THEY HAD A WONDERFUL GRAND OPENING THIS PAST SATURDAY, PROVIDING GREAT SERVICES. AND I'M GOING TO ASK THIS COUNCIL IF WE WILL BE WILLING TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THAT LOW INTEREST LOAN FOR SOUTHWEST KEY. THE OTHER ITEM IS THAT I BELIEVE WE'VE SEEN THE GOOD WORK THAT HAS COME OUT OF THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN QUALITY OF LIFE REPORT. WE'VE USED THAT AS A GUIDING PRINCIPLE FOR MANY OF THE POLICY DECISIONS

WE HAVE MADE SINCE THAT REPORT WAS COMPLETE. AND I WILL BE BRINGING FORWARD AN ITEM ASKING THIS COUNCIL TO FUND AN HISPANIC QUALITY OF LIFE REPORT IN THE NEXT BUDGET CYCLE. AND THEN LASTLY THIS SPEAKS MORE TO ZONING LATER ON, BUT TODAY WE HAVE ANOTHER ZONING ITEM THAT'S ON OUR AGENDA AND IT'S ANOTHER STATE PROPERTY -- THIS IS THE SECOND ONE IN THE LAST MONTH OR SO. AND WE DON'T HAVE A ZONING CATEGORY. AND SO THE STATE IS SELLING THIS LAND, A POTENTIAL DEVELOPER IS PURCHASING IT AND SEEKING A ZONING CATEGORY, BUT IT PRECLUDES THE NEIGHBORS FROM -- PRECLUDES THE NEIGHBORS FROM PROVIDING A VALID PETITION AND REQUIRE AGRICULTURE HIGHER THRESHOLD OF COUNCIL TO MAKE THIS DECISION AS WE DO IN EVERY OTHER ZONING CASE BECAUSE IT'S NOT ZONED. SO WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO IS SEE IF WE COULD AMEND THE CODE SO THAT IN THOSE CASES WHERE STATE PROPERTY IS BEING SOLD AND WE KNOW IT'S GOING TO HAPPEN MORE AND MORE HERE IN AUSTIN BECAUSE THE STATE OWNS SO MUCH LAND, THAT THE ADJACENT NEIGHBORS STILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SUPPLY A VALID PETITION WHERE A ZONING REQUEST IS MADE BEFORE THIS BODY. THOSE ARE THE THREE THINGS I WILL BE BRINGING FORWARD.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, COUNCILMEMBER. AGAIN, FURTHER POTENTIAL UPCOMING ITEMS. COUNCILMEMBER COLE.

Cole: WE ARE, AS YOU KNOW, IN THE PROCESS OF WORKING ON THE WALLER CREEK TUNNEL PROJECT AND THE ENVISIONING PART. AND WE WILL BE COMING UP WITH A DESIGN CONSULTANT SOON. BUT NEXT SATURDAY APRIL 30TH -- I'M SORRY. WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30TH AT THE THOMPSON CENTER THERE WILL BE A VISIONING SESSION.

THANK YOU, COUNCILMEMBER. AGAIN, FURTHER ITEMS LIKELY TO COME FORWARD IN THE NEAR FUTURE? THEN HEARING NONE, LET'S SEE, LET'S SORT OF WALK THROUGH THE CHANGES AND CORRECTIONS TO THIS WEEK'S POSTED AGENDA. THEY ARE: ON ITEM NUMBER 2 WE NEED TO STRIKE THE PHRASE TO BE REVIEWED BY BECAUSE IN FACT IT WAS AND COMES RECOMMENDED BY THE ELECTRIC UTILITY COMMISSION, ITEM NUMBER 2. AS WELL AS ITEMS NUMBER 3 AND 4 ARE BOTH RECOMMEND BY THE ELECTRIC UTILITY COMMISSION. ITEM NUMBER 5 HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN FROM OUR AVIATION DEPARTMENT. ON ITEM NUMBER 6 WE NEED TO STRIKE THE REFERENCES TO EXHIBITS AND THE ORDINANCE NUMBER AND CORRECT IT BY INCLUDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 20080214-003 CALLING THE MAY 10TH, 2008 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO REPEAL AND REPLACE EXHIBITS A, B, C AND D. AND WE ALSO NEED TO -- INSTEAD OF CALLING THEM A POLLING PLACE, STRIKE THE WORD PLACE AND THEN INSERT THE WORD AND AFTER EARLY VOTING PLACES S SO TO MAKE THIS SIMPLER, THE SUMMARY POSTING WILL BE TO APPROVE AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ORDINANCE NAB I JUST READ INTO THE RECORD CALLING THE MAY 10th GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO REPEAL AND REPLACE EXHIBITS A, B, C AND D, TO ADOPT CHANGES TO ELECTION DAY POLLING LOCATIONS. THE LIST OF ELECTION DAY PRECINCT JUDGES, EARLY VOTING PLACES, AND THE LIST OF CENTRAL COUNTING STATION JUDGES. ITEM NUMBER 6 REGARDING THE UPCOMING ELECTION. WE SHOULD NOTE THAT ITEM 12 AND 13 WILL BE POSTPONED TO MAY EIGHTH, 2008 AS PART OF OUR CONSENT

AGENDA. NOTE ITEM NUMBER 26 HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN. ON ITEM NUMBER 51, WE NEED TO AGAIN STRIKE THE PHRASE TO BE REVIEWED BY BECAUSE IN FACT IT DOES COME RECOMMENDED BY THE AUDIT AND FINANCE COMMITTEE. ON ITEM NUMBER 64 WE SHOULD NOTE THAT COUNCILMEMBER MCCRACKEN IS AN ADDITIONAL SPONSOR. ITEM 75 AND 77 BOTH WILL BE PROPOSED TO BE POSTPONED TO MAY 8TH, 2008. ON ITEM NUMBER 87, ONE OF OUR ZONING CASES, WE SHOULD NOTE THAT THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION IS TO GRANT MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENT LOW DENSITY CONDITIONAL OVERLAY NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN, MF-2-CONP COMBINING DISTRICT ZONING. THAT'S ITEM NUMBER 87. AND ON ITEM NUMBER 89, WE SHOULD NOTE THAT THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION IS TO APPROVE THE RESTRICTIVE COVENANT AMENDMENT. AND ON ITEM NUMBER 91 WE SHOULD REMOVE ALL REFERENCES TO NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN. BOTH THE WORDS NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN AND THE NOTATION NP. THAT'S ITEM NUMBER 91. OUR PROPOSED SCHEDULE FOR TODAY, FOLKS, IS HERE AT SOME POINT AFTER WE GET THROUGH OUR CONSENT AGENDA AND MAYBE HAVE A BRIEF DISCUSSION ITEM OR TWO, OUR MORNING PRESENTATION WILL BE THE THIRD ANNUAL REPORT FROM THE MENTAL HEALTH TASKFORCE MONITORING COMMITTEE. I THINK DR. STONE WILL LIKELY PRESENT THAT REPORT TO US. WELCOME, DR. STONE. AT NOON WE WILL BREAK FOR OUR GENERAL CITIZEN COMMUNICATION. AT SOME TIME MID AFTERNOON, BUT NO EARLIER THAN 2:00 O'CLOCK, OUR AFTERNOON BRIEFING WILL BE THE PRESENTATION OF THE COMISH.S OF OUR '06-'08 AFRICAN-AMERICAN QUALITY OF LIFE INITIATIVE. AT 4:00 O'CLOCK WE TAKE UP ZONING MATTERS. AT 5:30 LIKE USUAL WE BREAK FOR LIVE MUSIC AND PROCLAMATIONS. OUR MUSICIAN TODAY IS CAT EDMUND SON. AT 6:00 O'CLOCK WE CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARINGS; HOWEVER, WE SHOULD NOTE THAT ON PUBLIC HEARING 100, NUMBER 100, ITEM 100, STAFF WILL BE REQUESTING A POSTPONEMENT TO JUNE 5TH, 2008. AND THEN BECAUSE OF A SNAFU ON OUR POSTING, LAST WEEK, TECHNICALLY ONE OF THE HEARINGS WILL BE POSTED AS A SPECIAL CALLED MEETING TO MAKE SURE WE QUALIFIED FOR THREE DAYS IN ADVANCE OF THAT ITEM. SO FAR, COUNCIL, IT LOOKS LIKE THERE'S JUST THREE ITEMS PULLED OFF OUR CONSENT AGENDA. ITEM 14 RELATES TO A CONDEMNATION CASE I HAVE PULLED OFF THE CONSENT AGENDA ALONG WITH ITEM NUMBER 63, WHICH IS OUR STREET SMARS TASKFORCE REPORT. I WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO GIVE THAT GROUP A FEW MINUTES TO GIVE A MORE DETAILED PRESENTATION. WE WILL TAKE THAT UP SOMETIME AFTER OUR CONSENT AGENDA. THEN ITEM NUMBER 106 ON OUR ADDENDUM HAD BEEN PULL BAWTS BECAUSE IT'S RELATED TO AN ITEM ON EXECUTIVE SESSION. SO WITH -- SO COUNCIL, ANY ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE PULLED OFF THE CONSENT AGENDA? IF NOT, THEN I WILL READ OUR PROPOSED CONSENT AGENDA NUMERICALLY. IT WILL BE TO APPROVE ITEM 1, OUR MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING FROM APRIL 10TH. FROM AUSTIN ENERGY TO APPROVE ITEMS 2, 3 AND 4 PER CHANGES AND CORRECTIONS. WE'LL BE NOTING THAT FROM THE AVIATION DEPARTMENT HAS WITHDRAWN ITEM NUMBER 5. FROM OUR CITY CLERK'S DEPARTMENT WE WILL APPROVE ITEM NUMBER 6 PER CHANGES AND CORRECTION. FROM OUR CONTRACT AND LAND MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT, WE'LL BE APPROVING ITEMS 7, 8, 9, 10, 11. WE WILL BE POSTPONING ITEMS 12 AND 13 TO MAY R-8, 2008. WE WILL BE APPROVING ITEM 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 AND 21. FROM OUR ECONOMIC

GROWTH AND REDEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT WE'LL BE PROVING ITEMS 22, 23 AND 24. FROM OUR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT WE'LL BE APPROVING ITEM 25. FROM OUR MANAGEMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT APPROVING ITEM 26. FROM OUR NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, APPROVING ITEMS 27 AND 28. FROM OUR NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT, APPROVING ITEM 29. FROM OUR PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT, APPROVING ITEM 30. FROM OUR POLICE DEPARTMENT, APPROVING ITEM 31. FROM OUR PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT WE'LL BE PROVING ITEMS 32, 33 AND 34. AND A NUMBER OF PURCHASES PROPOSED BY OUR PURCHASING OFFICE WILL BE APPROVING ITEMS 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51 PER CHANGES AND CORRECTION, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57 AND 58. FROM OUR TREASURY OFFICE WE'LL BE APPROVING ITEMS 59 AND 60. ITEMS FROM COUNCIL, WE'LL APPROVE ITEM 61, WHICH ARE OUR BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS THAT I'LL READ INTO THE RECORD. TO OUR BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS, YOLANDA ARIAGA IS NOMINATED BY MAYOR PRO TEM DUNKERLEY. TO OUR BUILDING AND FIRE CODE BOARD OF APPEALS, BRENT MYSONHIEMER IS COUNCILMEMBER MARTINEZ'S NOMINATION. TO OUR URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY, SHARON BAXTER IS MY NOMINATION. TO OUR WATERFRONT OVERLAY TASKFORCE, MICHAEL CASILLAS IS COUNCILMEMBER MARTINEZ'S NOMINATION, GREG MILLER NOMINATED BY MAYOR PRO TEM DUNKERLEY, AND ANDY MORMON NOMINATED BY COUNCILMEMBER LEFFINGWELL. AND THE FOLLOWING NOMINEES FOR APPOINTMENTS TO THE WATERFRONT OVERLAY TASKFORCE WERE SELECTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ORDINANCE THAT STRUCTURED THAT TASKFORCE AND THEREFORE CERTAIN GROUPS IN TOWN HAVE A REPRESENTATIVE, SO I'LL READ THE NOMINATION AND THE GROUP WHO HAVE PUT THEM FORTH. FROM THE REAL ESTATE COUNCIL OF AUSTIN, LYNN ANNE CARLY. FROM OUR PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD, DANIELLE CLEMENT. FROM SAVE TOWN LAKE ORGANIZATION, JEFF JACK. FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD, MARY GAY MAXWELL. FROM THE DESIGN COMMISSION, ELEANOR McKINNEY. FROM THE TRAILS FOUNDATION, BRYAN OTT. AND FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION, JAY UREDDI. THESE ARE ALL THE NOMINATIONS TO OUR WATERFRONT OVERLAY TASKFORCE, PART OF ITEM NUMBER CITY COUNCIL THE CONSENT AGENDA. WE'LL ALSO BE APPROVING ITEM 62, 64 PER CHANGES AND CORRECTION, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69 AND 70. AND THEN ON OUR ADDENDUM WE WILL BE APPROVING -- WE'LL BE SETTING THE PUBLIC HEARING BY APPROVING ITEM 104 AND WE'LL BE APPROVING THE RESOLUTION ITEM 105, THOSE TWO ITEMS OFF OF OUR ADDENDUM ON OUR CONSENT AGENDA. I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION ON THE PROPOSED CONSENT AGENDA. MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER MARTINEZ, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MCCracken.

EXCUSE ME, MAYOR. CAN YOU CLARIFY THAT ITEM NUMBER 26 IS BEING APPROVED ON CONSENT? MOISTURE MAYOR SO THE MOTION --

Mayor Wynn: SO THE MOTION FROM COUNCILMEMBER MARTINEZ, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MCCracken INCLUDES ITEM 26 BEING WITHDRAWN AS PER CHANGES

AND CORRECTION. ITEMS 25, 27 AND 28 BEING APPROVED. SO A MOTION AND A SECOND ON THE TABLE APPROVING THE CONSENT AGENDA AS READ. FURTHER COMMENTS?

[INAUDIBLE - NO MIC].

Mayor Wynn: EVERY WEEK, JENNIFER, AFTER I GET A MOTION AND A SECOND ON THE TABLE, I CALL FOR COMMENTS FROM MY COLLEAGUES. MY COLLEAGUES GIVE THE COMMENTS. AND THEN I OPEN UP THE SPEAKER SIGN-UP SHEET AND ALLOW CITIZEN WHOSE WANT TO ADDRESS US TO DO SO. I'D APPRECIATE YOU NOT INTERRUPTING THIS CONSENT AGENDA APPROVAL PROCESS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL ON THE PROPOSED CONSENT AGENDA. COUNCILMEMBER MCCRACKEN.

McCracken: MAYOR, I JUST WANTED TO CLARIFY THAT ON ITEM 104 IN A THIS IS TO BRING THIS PUBLIC HEARING TO THE CITY COUNCIL ON MAY 15TH EVEN IF THE PLANNING COMMISSION HAS NOT ACTED BY THAT DATE. MOISTURE MAYOR SO WITHOUT OBJECTION THAT CLARIFICATION WILL BE PART OF THE RECORD. COUNCILMEMBER MARTINEZ.

Martinez: THANKS, MAYOR. A COUPLE OF ITEMS I WANTED TO MENTION. ITEM NUMBER 19 IS A BIG STEP FORWARD. WE'RE MOVING FORWARD WITH -- WE'VE HAD WOMEN IN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR OVER 30 YEARS NOW AND WE'RE FINALLY GOING TO BUILD THEM A RESTROOM. [LAUGHTER] MAYBE IN THE NEXT 30 YEARS WE CAN BUILD THEM A COUPLE MORE. IN ALL SERIOUSNESS, DURING BUDGET DISCUSSIONS WE TALKED ABOUT THIS AND WE ALL MADE A COMMITMENT TO MOVE FORWARD AT A MUCH MORE RAPID PACE TO PROVIDING THE FACILITIES FOR THE FIRE STATION. THIS ITEM MOVES FORWARD I BELIEVE WITH FOUR OR FIVE MORE RESTROOMS, AND IT'S READY TO GO. AND WE HAVE AN EXPEDITED CONSTRUCTION PROCESS THAT REQUIRES SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION WITHIN 270 DAYS. SO I REALLY WANT TO THANK STAFF FOR WORKING SO HARD FOR THE LAST SIX MONTHS TO GET THROUGH THE DESIGN PHASE AND NOW THE APPROVAL PHASE AND HOPEFULLY THESE FACILITIES WILL BE UP AND RUNNING WITHIN A YEAR. ITEM 105 IS AN ALLOCATION FROM THE (INDISCERNIBLE) FOR A FESTIVAL IN EAST AUSTIN. THIS YEAR THE BIG CINCO DE MAYO THAT USUALLY HAPPENS AT FIESTA GARDENS IS NOT GOING TO HAPPEN. THE NONPROFIT THAT HAS CONDUCTED THAT FESTIVAL FOR MANY YEARS HAS CEASED TO EXIST AND SO JOHNNIE DELGADO HAS.ED TO CONTINUE SOME SORT OF CELEBRATION. WE'RE ALLOCATING \$5,000 FOR THE FESTIVAL. I KNOW IT'S SHORT NOTICE. MAY 5TH IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER, BUT I HOPE THAT STAFF CAN EXPEDITE MAKING THE FUNDS AVAILABLE TO HIM SO THAT HE CAN GET THIS FESTIVAL PLANNED AND WE CAN HAVE SOMETHING SOME EAST AUSTIN ON CINCO DE MAYO. AND THEN ON ITEM 69 IS A RESOLUTION I BROUGHT FORWARD SUPPORTING PECAN STREET FESTIVAL. WHAT WE SAW OVER THE LAST FEW WEEKS IS THAT AS WITH MANY OTHER FESTIVALS IN DOWNTOWN, WE CLOSE A LOT OF STREETS, IT REQUIRES A LOT OF STAFF AND OVER TIME WITH POLICE DEPARTMENTS AND THE FEES ARE PRETTY SUBSTANTIAL IN THE 40,000-DOLLAR A YEAR RANGE FOR PECAN STREET. WHAT I'VE DONE IN HAD RESOLUTION IS TAKEN CARE OF THE FEES FOR NEXT WEEK'S PECAN FESTIVAL SO IT CAN OCCUR, BUT I'VE ASKED THEM TO SIT

DOWN WITH OUR CITY AUDITOR TO ALLOW THE AUDITOR TO LOOK THROUGH THEIR FINANCES OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS AND SEE IF WE CAN FIND ANY STRUCTURAL SAVINGS WITH REGARDS TO THEIR EXPENDITURES BECAUSE THESE FEES ARE IMPORTANT TO US. WE -- THEY HAVE TO COME FROM SOMEWHERE. AND THEN SECONDLY, ASKING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIT DOWN WITH PECAN STREET FESTIVAL ORGANIZERS AND TRY TO COME ONE A LONG-TERM STRATEGY. THIS IS ONE OF THE FEW FESTIVALS THAT WE HAVE WHERE IT'S FREE AND IT'S FULL OF KIDS AND FAMILIES. IT'S LIVE MUSIC. IT'S GREAT ART. I JUST THINK IT'S SOMETHING THAT HAS BECOME A LONG TRADITION IN AUSTIN. AND I WANT TO CONTINUE TO SUPPORT IT. AND SO I WOULD APPRECIATE EVERYONE'S SUPPORT ON THIS AGENDA ITEM.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, COUNCILMEMBER. AGAIN FURTHER COUNCIL COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSED CONSENT AGENDA. COUNCILMEMBER COLE?

Cole: YES, MAYOR. I WOULD LIKE TO HIGHLIGHT ITEM 22, 23, 24 AND COMMEND STAFF FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD. THESE ARE THE ITEMS THAT ACTUALLY RENEW THE CONTRACTS OF ALL THE MINORITY CHAMBERS, THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN CHAMBER, THE HISPANIC CHAMBER AND THE ASIAN AMERICAN CHAMBER. COUNCILMEMBER MARTINEZ AND COUNCILMEMBER KIM AND I SPEND A LOT OF TIME TRYING TO MAKE SURE THAT THE MINORITY COMMUNITY IS INTEGRATED INTO THE FABRIC OF OUR ENTIRE CITY AND I BELIEVE THESE ITEMS HELP BRING THAT TO FRUITION. WE ARE ACTUALLY CHANGING THE WAY THAT WE REQUIRE MINORITY BUSINESSES TO OPERATE AND NOT ONLY INCLUDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, BUT ALSO JOB FAIRS FOR THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

Mayor Wynn: FURTHER IMHENTS ON THE PROPOSED CONSENT AGENDA? IF NOT, WE DO HAVE A COUPLE OF CITIZENS THAT WANTED TO GIVE US TESTIMONY ON ITEMS THAT ARE CURRENTLY PROPOSED TO BE ON THE CONSENT AGENDA. ITEMS 22 THROUGH 24 JENNIFER GALE HAS SIGNED UP WISH TO GO SPEAK. WELCOME, JENNIFER. ALTHOUGH OUR ORDINANCE AND COUNCIL RULES ACTUALLY STATE THAT WE USUALLY WAIT UNTIL THERE ARE FIVE CITIZENS, THE LAST FEW YEARS THEY WOULD LIKE TO GIVE ANYBODY THE ABILITY TO SPEAK ON THE CONSENT AGENDA, SO WELCOME BACK. YOU WILL HAVE THREE MINUTES. SOIRKS YOU SAY IF THE RULES STATE YOU ARE UNDER FIVE CITIZENS, YOU DON'T HAVE TO ALLOW PEOPLE TO EXPO THE CONSENT AGENDA?

YES. BUT MY PRACTICE IS IF THERE'S EVEN ONE PERSON SIGNED UP TO SPEAK, THEY ARE WELCOME.

HI, AUSTIN. PECAN STREET FESTIVAL AND TEXAS ROUNDUP RUN THIS COMING SATURDAY BETWEEN SEVEN AND NOON. ON ITEMS 22, 23 AND 24, WE'RE PAYING NEARLY HALF A MILLION DOLLARS TO THE ASIAN, AMERICAN AFRICAN HERITAGE AND LATINO CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE. THIS SORT OF THING SOUNDS LIKE A PAYOFF. WE HAVE OUR OWN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN. WHY ARE WE FUNDING SEPARATE PRIVATE ENTITIES TO PROMOTE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WHEN THE CITY OF AUSTIN HAS TAKEN IT

UPON OURSELVES TO DO THAT? THIS SHOWS THAT WE CLEARLY NEED 30 SINGLE COUNCILMEMBER DISTRICTS BECAUSE IF WE HAVE TO GET A PRIVATE ENTITY LIKE THOSE THREE CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE WHICH REPRESENT AN ETHNIC -- DIFFERENT ETHNICITY, THEN WE'RE CLEARLY NOT REPRESENTING THE PEOPLE OF AUSTIN. AND WE DON'T WONDER ANYMORE WHY WE'RE \$37 MILLION DOWN. IT'S THIS SORT OF THING WHERE WE LOSE THAT KIND OF MONEY, LIKE THE 5 MILLION WE LOST FROM THE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM TO THE -- TO THE STREET SCAPES. SO I'M SAYING THAT WE DO NOT APPROVE THIS ONE, THAT WE GET OUR 30 DISTRICTS AND GET PEOPLE REPRESENTED SO WE GET ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN ALL OUR -- THE ENTIRE CITY AND NOT HAVE IT GIVEN TO CERTAIN ET CETERA IN THIS CASE MINORITIES BECAUSE YOU'RE LEAVING A LOT OF ET CETERA IN THIS CASE MINORITIES OUT HERE. HOW CAN WE PROMOTE BICYCLE USE? I'M SPEAKING ON ITEM 63, WHICH HAS BEEN PULLED. HOW CAN WE PROMOTE BICYCLE USE WHEN THE STREETS ARE STILL DANGEROUS? PEOPLE ARE NOT PULLING OVER TO THE LEFT LANE ALLOWING CYCLISTS TO GO THROUGH. CONGRESSMAN DOGGETT BROKE HIS LEG THIS WEEK. OUR STREETS ARE NOT SAFE. WE'VE ALREADY APPROVED THE LANCE ARMSTRONG BIKEWAY AND NOW WE'RE TALKING ABOUT SPENDING AND MAKING OUR OVERWORK THE CITY MANAGER, MARC OTT FROM FORT WORTH TO HAVE TO ENTERTAIN ALL THIS. HE'S GOT ENOUGH ON HIS PLACE AS IT IS. LET'S BUILD THE LANCE ARMSTRONG BIKEWAY. I'D ALSO LIKE TO THANK THE "AUSTIN AMERICAN-STATESMAN" AND THE AUSTIN CHRONICLE FOR POINTING OUT THE TENS OF THOUSANDS OF ENDORSEMENTS I'VE RECEIVED BY THE VOTERS OF AUSTIN. [BUZZER SOUNDS] THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, JENNIFER. ON ITEM NUMBER 27 I THINK GUS PENA WOULD LIKE TO GIVE US SOME TESTIMONY. WELCOME BACK, GUS.

MORNING, MAYOR, COUNCILMEMBERS, CITY MANAGER. GUS PENA. I'M NOT HERE TO REPRESENT ANYBODY OR ANYBODY'S VIEWS. CITY MANAGER OTT, GREAT JOB ON KVET. YOU KNOW HOW TO TALK, BROTHER. AND THAT'S POSITIVE. ANYWAY, MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS, I HAVE A CONCERN WITH ITEM NUMBER 27. YOU KNOW, PEOPLE KEEP SAYING WE ARE IN A PRETTY GOOD SITUATION AS FAR AS THE ECONOMY IS CONCERNED IN AUSTIN. CITY MANAGER OTT, I'D LIKE TO TAKE YOU AROUND EAST AUSTIN, BUT NOT JUST EAST AUSTIN, TAKE YOU DOWN TO NORTHWEST AUSTIN WHERE THERE ARE SENIOR CITIZENS THAT ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING THEIR HOMES. A LOT OF THE SENIOR CITIZENS ARE GOING OUT IN THE WORKFORCE, 70, 80-YEAR-OLDS WHO ARE ILL. THEY HAVE TO WORRY BECAUSE OF THE PROPERTY TAXES, INCREASED TAXES. WE HAVE AN ITEM ON NUMBER 27 THAT WILL APPROVE A LOAN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$225,000 TO PURCHASE I BELIEVE IT SAYS HERE ACCORDING TO THE BACKUP, CHAIRS, FURNITURE, FIXTURES, ETCETERA. AND IT'S GOING TO CREATE A COUPLE OF JOBS. I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THIS RESTAURANT. I'M NOT HERE TO SPEAK FOR ANYBODY, BUT I KNOW A LOT OF RESTAURANT OWNERS WHO HAVE USED THEIR OWN FUNDING TO PURCHASE THEIR OWN NEEDS, EVEN THOUGH THEY ARE IN A HURTING MODE ALSO. COUNCILMEMBER JENNIFER KIM, YOU ARE SITTING RIGHT IN FRONT OF MY BANNER, THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS BANNER WHO I SERVED FAITHFULLY FOR SIX YEARS, RIGHT BEHIND YOU, AND WE HAVE A LOT OF

VETERANS THAT ARE HOMELESS. WE HAVE A LOT OF VETERANS WITH FAMILIES THAT ARE HOMELESS, THAT NEED HOMES. THIS IS COMING UNDER -- I'M NOT THE MOST LITERAL PERSON OR KNOWLEDGEABLE PERSON, BUT IT'S COMING UNDER THE NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUNDING. I THINK THAT'S AN INSULT TO THE TAXPAYERS. WE HAVE A LOT OF PEOPLE IN THE SUNNY MEADE APARTMENTS THAT WILL BE TORN DOWN TO BUILD AFFORDABLE HOUSING. AFFORDABLE FOR WHOM? NOT FOR THEM. THINK ABOUT THE SENIOR CITIZENS THAT ARE HURTING NOW AND THE LOW INCOME, THE HAVE NOTES. WE NEED HELP AND WE NEED TO REVAMP THE CITY'S VISION OF HOW TO HELP THE NEEDY, THE HAVE NOT'S AND THE LESS FORTUNATE. I'VE SAID IT BEFORE AND I'LL SAY IT AGAIN, A SOCIETY'S WORTH IS MEASURED BY ITS TREATMENT OF THE LESS FORTUNATE. ARE WE REALLY DOING A GOOD JOB TO HELP THE POOR? THE GAP WIDENS. YOU CAN KEEP AUSTIN WEIRD IF YOU WANT TO, BUT A LOT OF CITIZENS SAY PLEASE LET'S KEEP IT AFFORDABLE FOR EVERYBODY. LEWISIO MIGHT NOT HAVE A HOUSE, HE MAY NOT BE ABLE TO AFFORD A HOUSE IN FIVE YEARS. THAT HURTS ME, MY BOY. LUCIO, 15 YEARS OLD. JOHNSTON HIGH SCHOOL, THANK YOU FOR BRINGING IT UP. COUNCILMEMBER MARTINEZ, WE HAVE A LOT OF PEOPLE POOR IN THAT AREA. I GRADUATED FROM JOHNSTON AND IT HURTS ME WHEN HI A MEETING WITH T.E.A. COMMISSIONER SCOTT AND BECAUSE THE SUPERINTENDENT SAID HEY, WATCH OUT, PENA IS NEGATIVE. I SERVED THREE YEARS IN THE DROPOUT TASKFORCE ON THE SCHOOL DISTRICT. YOU DON'T DO THAT TO PEOPLE. RESPECT THEM. HAVE THEIR INPUT. MIGHT BE POLICY TO WAIT UNTIL FIVE INDIVIDUALS HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK, AND I THANK YOU MR. MAYOR FOR ALLOWING EVEN ONE PERSON TO SPEAK. I RESPECT YOU A WHOLE LOT. LET'S CONTINUE THE MARCH TO HELP THE POOR, NEEDY AND THE HAVE NOTES. LET'S KEEP AUSTIN AFFORDABLE FOR EVERYBODY, NOT JUST WEIRD. GOD BLESS Y'ALL. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. AND I THINK ON 64, ERIC ANDERSON WANTED TO GIVE US SOME TESTIMONY. WELCOME, BACK, ERIC. AND JUST FOR EVERYBODY'S INFORMATION, HERE IN A FEW MINUTES WE ARE GOING TO HEAR THE PRESENTATION ON ITEM NUMBER 63, SOMEWHAT RELATED, THAT BEING THE STREET SMARTS TASKFORCE REPORT. WELCOME, ERIC.

I'LL MAKE THIS REAL QUICK. THIS MAY BE ON THE CONSENT AGENDA AND I THANK YOU ALL IN YOUR ADVANCE FOR YOUR SUPPORT. I THINK IT'S A GREAT NEW POLICY DIRECTIVE TO BASICALLY MAKE OUR CITY GOVERNMENT MORE EFFICIENT, OUR PLANNING MORE COORDINATED AND EFFECTIVE. GRASP OPPORTUNITIES AS THEY COME UP. I'LL JUST MENTION ONE VERY QUICKLY. IF YOU IMAGINE THE PFLUGER BRIDGE THAT WE SPENT ALREADY \$10 MILLION AND WE'RE ABOUT TO SPEND ANOTHER 5.6 OVER THE NEXT TWO YEARS, IN ADDITION TO THE OTHER INVESTMENTS THE CITY IS MAKING AND AT THE GABLES RESIDENTIAL IS MAKING, CAN YOU IMAGINE THE SOUTHWEST ARM OF THAT BRIDGE THERE IS A LITTLE TRAIL SPUR THAT BASICALLY PULLS OFF THE INTERSECTION OF SOUTH LAMAR AND RIVERSIDE AND CIRCLES AROUND THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT OFFICES TO TOOMEY ROAD THROUGH BUTLER SHORES PARKSCAPES. AND MAY 2nd

BARTON PLACE WILL BE BREAKING GROUND AS PART OF THEIR DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT AND THE 25-FOOT FIRE ACCESS THEY'RE REQUIRED TO BUILD ON THE EAST SIDE OF THEIR PROPERTY, THEY'RE GOING TO PUT DOWN A 10-FOOT WIDE RECREATIONAL SHARE USE PATH. NOW, WE'VE HAD THAT PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED PATH CLOSED FOR ABOUT TWO AND A HALF YEARS FOR AN AUSTIN CLEAN WATER PROGRAM PROJECT, A LIFT STATION THERE OFF TOOMEY ROAD. AND IT WAS MY DESIRE THAT WHEN THAT PATH REOPENED WE WOULD KIND OF LIKE MAKE THE TWO MEET, THE EXISTING AND THE FUTURE. NOW, THAT DIDN'T HAPPEN. THEY DID MAKE SOME IMPROVEMENTS, BUT I LOOK FORWARD TO THIS NUMBER 64 BEING IMPLEMENTED SO THAT WHEN AN OPPORTUNITY COMES UP LIKE THIS, WE CAN SPEND THE MONEY NOW AT A RIGHT OF ONE DOLLAR PER 10 RATHER THAN LATER AT A LARGER OUT LAY FROM THE CITY. AND ADDITIONALLY, I THINK YOU'RE ALL AWARE THIS SUMMER WE'RE GOING TO SEE BIKE LANES ON BARTON SPRINGS ROAD TO ROLLINGWOOD, SO IF YOU ADD ALL THESE THINGS TOGETHER WE'RE TALKING ABOUT A VERY FUNCTIONAL, ADDITIONAL WHATEVER, MILE AND A HALF OF THE PFLUGER BRIDGE BIELTBIKE ROUTE THAT I THINK WE CAN START ACCOMPLISHING ALL OVER THE PLACE WITH THIS KIND OF COOPERATION. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. ANDERSON FOR ALL OF YOUR WORK. FOR THE RECORD, TOMMY EDEN AND MR. WALL SIGNED UP NOT WISH TO GO SPEAK, BUT IN FAVOR OF ITEM 64. COUNCILMEMBER MARTINEZ?

Martinez: ON ITEM 27, I WAS WONDERING IF MICHELLE COULD COME DOWN AND SPEAK TO THE LOAN THAT'S BEING MADE -- A LITTLE SMALL BUSINESS LOAN AND I'M CURIOUS OF WHETHER IT'S CDBG MONEY THAT'S BASICALLY DESIGNATED FOR SMALL BUSINESSES. THIS IS -- THE GRILL HAS BEEN CLOSED FOR AWHILE. THEY'VE SHUT DOWN A FEW MONTHS AGO AND THEY'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR A PLACE AND THEY WANT TO STAY DOWNTOWN. IT'S THE ONLY GREEK RESTAURANT WE HAVE DOWNTOWN AND I'M EXCITED THAT THEY'VE FOUND A LOCATION THAT WE'RE GOING TO HELP THEM OUT. I WANTED TO SEE IF YOU COULD PROVIDE A LITTLE BIT MORE BACKGROUND ON WHERE T FUNDS COME FROM FROM THE COMMUNITY HOUSING NEIGHBORHOOD FUND.

ABSOLUTELY. MY NAME IS MARGARET SHAW. I'M THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT. AS COUNCILMEMBER MARTINEZ SAYS, WE HAVE AN ITEM ON THE AGENDA TODAY THROUGH OUR NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM, WHICH IS FUNDED WITH H.U.D. GRANT FUNDS, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS TO ASSIST SMALL BUSINESSES IN THEIR EFFORTS TO EITHER REVITALIZE DISTRESSED AREA OR TO CREATE JOBS AND/OR TO CREATE JOBS FOR LOW AND MODERATE INCOME FOLKS. WE ARE VERY EXCITED TO BE PARTNERING WITH ATHENNIAN GRILL. THE CITY'S CONTRIBUTION IS ABOUT 20% OF THE TOTAL LOAN AMOUNT FOR THEIR RECONSTRUCTION OF THE PROPERTY AT SIXTH AND CONGRESS AND IT WILL CREATE SIX FULL TIME JOBS OR 12 PART-TIME JOBS FOR LOW AND MODERATE INCOME FOLKS.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. FURTHER QUESTIONS FOR MARGARET? AGAIN, WE HAVE A MOTION AND A SECOND ON THE TABLE APPROVING THE CONSENT AGENDA, THAT IS ALL ITEMS WITH THE EXCEPTION OF 14, 63 AND 107 OTHER THAN THOSE THAT HAVE BEEN WITHDRAWN OR POSTPONED. FURTHER COMMENTS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA? I WILL SAY REAL QUICKLY THAT A COUPLE OF VERY ENCOURAGING ITEMS THAT TIE ULTIMATELY IN TO OUR CLIMATE PROTECTION PLAN, ON ITEM NUMBER 3 WE HAVE A REBATE TO DELL BECAUSE OF THE REMARKABLE HIGH EFFICIENCY LIGHTING RETROFIT PROJECT THAT THEY HAVE BEEN WORKING ON NOW. YOU MAY KNOW THAT DELL HAS ANNOUNCED THAT THEIR ENTIRE OPERATIONS WILL BE CARBON NEUTRAL BY THE END OF THIS CALENDAR YEAR. I WAS WITH THEM MONDAY AT THEIR FACILITIES, AND THEY ARE DOING AGGRESSIVE WORK WHEN IT COMES TO REDUCING THEIR ENERGY CONSUMPTION. THEN ON ITEM NUMBER 4, THIS IS A BIG PROJECT WITH THE ENERGY SERVICE COMPANIES WHEREBY THEY ARE GOING TO AGGRESSIVELY AUDIT ALL CITY FACILITIES AND HAVE IDENTIFIED SEVEN, EIGHT MILLION DOLLARS WORTH OF PROJECTS THAT WE WILL DO OPERATIONALLY AT OUR FACILITIES THAT HAS A REMARKABLE FIVE, SIX, SEVEN-YEAR PAY BACK, WHICH IS A VERY QUICK PAY BACK FOR THE WORK THAT WE WILL BE DOING TO REDUCE ULTIMATELY TAXPAYERS ELECTRICITY BILLS AT ALL CITY FACILITIES. SO VERY POSITIVE WORK. AND BRIEFLY, ITEM 32 IS A SIMPLE SORT OF A A DISPLAY FORMAT FOR A COUPLE OR THREE LOW EMISSION TAXI CABS IN THE CITY. AT SOME POINT I WOULD LIKE TO JUST ENCOURAGE STAFF TO HELP US THINK THROUGH WHAT MIGHT BE A MUCH LARGER, MORE COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAM. WE'VE ALL READ ABOUT CITIES AROUND THE COUNTRY THAT HAVE WORKED SPECIFICALLY WITH THEIR TAXI FLEETS TO REDUCE EMISSIONS. AND OF COURSE ULTIMATELY USUALLY IN THE URBAN CORE. SO AS WE CONTINUE TO TRY TO FIGHT FOR CLEAN AIR IN AUSTIN, WE COULD FOLLOW THE LEADERSHIP OF SEVERAL CITIES THAT HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH THEIR ENTIRE PRIVATE SECTOR TAXI FLEETS TO REDUCE EMISSIONS AS THEY OF COURSE GO ABOUT THEIR BUSINESS DRIVING AROUND TOWN. THAT'S ITEM NUMBER 32. AGAIN, FURTHER COMMENTS ON OUR CONSENT AGENDA AS PROPOSED? HEARING NONE, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE. OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF SEVEN TO ZERO. THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE] SO COUNCIL, JUST A COUPLE OF I THINK RELATIVELY QUICK ITEMS WE CAN TAKE UP BEFORE WE HEAR FROM A FEW MORE FOLKS. I THINK WE DO HAVE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE WAITING HERE FOR ITEM NUMBER 14, WHICH I PULLED OFF THE CONSENT AGENDA. FOLKS, IF YOU COULD PLEASE TAKE YOUR CONVERSATIONS OUT INTO THE FOYER, WE WOULD APPRECIATE IT. ITEM NUMBER 14, COUNCIL, I THINK WE ALL KNOW, IS THE -- ULTIMATELY A RESOLUTION REGARDING EMINENT DOMAIN PROCEEDINGS AND THERE'S BEEN A LOT BIT OF -- A LITTLE BIT OF INFORMATION PRESENTED TO US ABOUT THIS CASE. PERHAPS IF STAFF COULD MAKE A BRIEF PRESENTATION ABOUT ULTIMATELY THIS EMINENT DOMAIN CASE, THEN I THINK MR. CAMPOS WOULD LIKE TO GIVE SMUS TESTIMONY. WELCOME MR. GARZA.

GOOD MORNING, MAYOR AND COUNCIL, RUDY GARZA, ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER. WE HAVE STAFF HERE FROM THE REAL ESTATE DEPARTMENT AND ALSO FROM THE LEGAL

DEPARTMENT TO GO INTO VERY SPECIFIC ISSUES REGARDING THIS EMINENT DOMAIN PROCEEDINGS; HOWEVER, I CAN GIVE YOU THE KEY POINTS. WE'VE BEEN NEGOTIATING WITH THE PROPERTY OWNER OVER THE PAST TWO YEARS TO TRY TO REACH AN AGREEMENT ON A SALES PRICE. THE EMINENT DOMAIN -- THE ACQUISITION OF THIS PROPERTY IS CRITICAL AS WE MOVE FORWARD FOR FLOOD MITIGATION PURPOSES. AS WE KNOW THAT WATER CROSSES OVER THE ROAD. WE HAVE PLANS IN PLACE TO ALLEVIATE THE FLOODING THAT OCCURS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD. WE HAVE HAD AN INDEPENDENT APPRAISAL DONE OF THE PROPERTY, AND THAT IS THE OFFER THAT WE ARE MAKING TO MOVE FORWARD.

Mayor Wynn: SO IN SUMMARY, WE DO HAVE VERY SPECIFIC CONSTRAINTS AND POLICIES AND PROCEDURES THAT WE FOLLOW WHEN WE HAVE EMINENT DOMAIN CASES AND YOU'RE TELLING US THAT THIS ONE HAS FOLLOWED ALL THOSE TO THE ABSOLUTE LETTER OF THE LAW?

YES, SIR. AS I SAID, WE HAVE BEEN NEGOTIATE THE OVER THE PAST TWO YEARS AND WE'VE NOT BEEN ABLE TO COME TO AN AGREEMENT. THIS IS A VACANT HOME. IT'S NOT HABITABLE. AND AS WE MOVED FORWARD, WE CERTAINLY ARE BASING IT ON AN INDEPENDENT APPRAISAL.

Mayor Wynn: IF YOU. FURTHER QUESTIONS FOR MR. GARZA. COUNCILMEMBER MARTINEZ.

Martinez: THANK YOU. I WANT TO MAKE A COUPLE OF COMMENTS. WHEN I LOOK AT THE AGENDA ITEM AND THE BACK JERUSALEM MATERIAL, WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE NEGOTIATED FEE SIMPLE ACQUISITIONS, THEY SEEM TO BE MUCH MORE SUBSTANTIAL THAN WHAT WE'RE OFFERING IN AN EMINENT DOMAIN. AND I UNDERSTAND THAT THAT'S BECAUSE IT WAS A NEGOTIATED PROCESS. BUT FOR THE OWNER OF THE PROPERTY TO HAVE BEEN PAYING TAXES ALL THIS TIME ON A PROPERTY THAT WAS EVALUATED BY TCAD AS \$105,000, I QUESTION HOW VALID THE INDEPENDENT APPRAISAL REALLY IS. ARE WE SAYING THAT TCAD IS LITERALLY INFLATING OUR PROPERTY VALUES BY 40 PLUS PERCENT? AND IF WE'RE NOT SAYING THAT, THEN MAYBE WE NEED TO REVISIT THE APPRAISAL PROCESS SO THAT IT IS MORE IN LINE? THIS PROPERTY OWNER IS WILLING TO FOREGO THEIR PROPERTY AND SELL IT, BUT NOT IF IT'S GOING TO BE, YOU KNOW, SUBSTANTIALLY REDUCED IN TERMS OF THE VALUE THAT HE'S BEEN PAYING ON IT ALL THIS TIME. AND SO I JUST QUESTION HOW WE CAN -- THERE CAN BE SUCH A DISPARITY BETWEEN TCAD AND AN INDEPENDENT MARKET APPRAISAL.

COUNCILMEMBER, IN FACT, WHAT WE'VE DISCOVERED -- BECAUSE WE TOOK THIS VERY SERIOUS. WE WERE AWARE OF THE TCAD APPRAISAL. OUR STAFF, OUR DIVISION MANAGER OVER REAL ESTATE SERVICES HAS DONE SOME IN-DEPTH RESEARCH IN WHAT WE HAVE DISCOVERED THAT THE TCAD HAS BEEN -- SET APPRAISAL ON THE IMPROVEMENTS, ON IMPROVEMENTS THAT DO NOT EXIST ON THIS PROPERTY. AS YOU KNOW AND THE PUBLIC IS AWARE, THE CITY OF AUSTIN DOES NOT SET THE APPRAISALS FOR TCAD. THAT IS A

PROCESS THEY DO INDEPENDENTLY. BUT IN OUR RESEARCH WE DID DISCOVER THAT THE PROPERTY, THE IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION DOES NOT FIT WITH THE IMPROVEMENTS THAT ARE ACTUALLY ON THIS PROPERTY. I WOULD CERTAINLY SUGGEST THAT MR. CAMPOS MAY HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT WITH TCAD TO CORRECT THAT, BUT IT'S CLEAR THAT THE IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION FOR THAT PROPERTY IS NOT THE IMPROVEMENTS THAT ARE ACTUALLY ON THIS PROPERTY. LET ME DEFER TO LORRAINE RISER TO SEE IF I GOT THAT ENTIRELY CORRECT.

THAT IS CORRECT.

Mayor Wynn: I'M CURIOUS. I'M WONDERING IF PERHAPS THEN MR. CAMPOS, THE OWNER HERE, MIGHT HAVE SOME RECOURSE ESSENTIALLY VIS-A-VIS THE TCAD, PERHAPS, MISTAKE THAT PERHAPS AS THE OWNER OF THE PROPERTY THOSE YEARS SHE COULD GO BACK IN ARREARS AND TRY TO GET SOME CORRECTION FROM TCAD AND/OR THE TAXING AUTHORITIES.

I WOULD BE WILLING TO CONTACT TCAD AND POSSIBLY SET UP A MEETING WITH MR. CAMPOS AND VISIT WITH IT BECAUSE THE IMPROVEMENTS THAT THEY'RE SHOWING ON THE PROPERTY IS FOR A 1400 SQUARE FOOT MASONRY BUILDING WITH A PORCH AND A FIREPLACE AND A LOT OF OTHER AMENITIES. WHAT'S ACTUALLY OUT THERE IS 1100 SQUARE FOOT SIDING HOUSE WITH NO PORCH AND NO -- AND A LOT OF THE AMENITIES THAT TCAD IS CHARGING FOR AREN'T IN THIS HOUSE. THERE ARE SOME ERRORS AND THEY MAY HAVE THE WRONG IMPROVEMENTS SOMEHOW IN THEIR SYSTEM AND GOT PLACED ON MR. CAMPOS PROPERTY. BUT I WOULD BE WILLING TO GO WITH HIM TO BE THE APPRAISAL DISTRICT AND SEE IF WE CAN WORK SOMETHING OUT.

Mayor Wynn: SO COUNCIL, WE HAVE ONE SPEAKER WHO WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS OUTSIDE THIS ITEM. THAT IS MR. CAMPOS. I TRUST HE'S STILL THERE. WELCOME. IS MARY HERNANDEZ HERE? WELCOME, MARY. HOW ABOUT FRANK CAMPOS? WELCOME, FRANK. SO YOU WILL HAVE UP TO NINE MINUTES IF YOU NEED IT. WELCOME.

I WANT TO GIVE THE COUNCILMEMBERS A COPY OF --

Mayor Wynn: HAND IT TO COUNCILMEMBER MARTINEZ AND HE WILL HAND IT TO US.

I'D LIKE TO THANK YOU, MAYOR, FOR ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK AND COUNCILMEMBERS. I HOPE MY WORDS CAPTIVATE YOU AND IF MY WORDS DON'T CAPTIVATE YOU, THE CONTENT OF MY MESSAGE WILL. THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO COME BEFORE YOU THIS MORNING TO VOICE MY CONCERNS ABOUT THE CITY'S BUYOUT PROPOSAL. I WOULD LIKE TO GIVE YOU SOME BACKGROUND INFORMATION ABOUT THE HOME LOCATED AT 2505 AND 2507 HOEKE LANE. THE HOMESTEAD WAS ORIGINALLY PURCHASED BY MY PARENTS IN 1959 AND ALL MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS WERE RAISED THERE. OUT OF THE FAMILY, FIVE WERE COLLEGE GRADUATES WITH MASTER'S DEGREES

AND CONTRIBUTED TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF AUSTIN. I HAVE OWED I BOUGHT THE PROPERTY FROM MY MOTHER IN 1987 FOR \$50,000 AND RAISED MY KIDS THERE. FEW OF THEM ARE COLLEGE GRADUATES FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AND ST. EDWARD'S AND THEY'RE WORKING IN THE AUSTIN ENVIRONMENT. IN 1980 OUR FAMILY OWNED AND OPERATED A RESTAURANT AT THIS LOCATION AND OUR CUSTOMERS WERE FROM THE SURROUNDING NEIGHBORHOOD. AT A LATER DATE THIS SITE WAS ALSO LEO'S GROCERY WHICH OPENED IN 1989. OUR BUSINESS WAS A VALUABLE ASSET TO THE COMMUNITY. THIS SITE STILL REMAINS IDEAL FOR A VIABLE AND PROFITABLE BUSINESS BECAUSE IT IS EASILY ACCESSIBLE TO THE HIGHWAYS AND SURROUNDING BUSINESSES. IT IS WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE FOR MANY OF THE PROSPECT SPIF CUSTOMERS IN THE NEARBY COMMERCIAL BUSINESS PARK AS WELL AS THE NEIGHBORS. I HAVE SEEN MANY CHANGES IN THIS AREA, WHICH WAS ONCE A TREE LINED GREENBELT HAS NOW BEEN REPLACED WITH CONCRETE STRUCTURES AND ASPHALT PARKING LOTS. THE NEIGHBORHOOD WAS SUDDENLY TRANSFORMED FROM A ONCE QUIET COUNTRY SETTING TO THAT OF A HIGH TRAFFIC COMMERCIAL COMPLEX AREA. THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE MEDICAL CENTER IN 1997 MARKED THE BEGINNING OF COMMERCIAL GROWTH IN OUR CENTER AND WITH IT CAME THE CONSTRUCTION OF HOTELS, RESTAURANTS AND OFFICE BUILDINGS. THERE ARE ONGOING PLANS FOR.

FOR FUTURE DEVELOPMENT AND EXPANSION. THE CARSON CREEK WATERSHED WAS APPARENTLY OVERLOOKED DURING THE APPROVAL OF THE COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND NO IMPROVEMENTS TO THE CARSON CREEK OR UPGRADES TO THE CULVERTS AND DRAINAGE SYSTEMS TO THE HOEKE SIDE OF THE STREET WERE IMPLEMENTED. THERE WAS A DEFINITE NEGLECT BY THE CITY OF AUSTIN. I'M NOT SAYING YOU GUYS, THE PRIOR ADMINISTRATION. AND THE DEVELOPER AND IN CREATION THE IMPACT FOR THE RESIDENTS THAT ARE LOCATED DOWN STREAM FROM THIS DEVELOPMENT. I WAS ALSO INFORMED BY AN ENGINEER FROM THE CITY OF AUSTIN WATERSHED DEPARTMENT THAT I COULD RAISE THE LEVEL OF MY STRUCTURE OF MY PROPERTY BY TWO FEET AND I WOULD BE OUT OF THE FLOOD ZONE. I RECEIVED A LETTER FROM THE CITY OFFERING COMPENSATION FOR DAMAGES CAUSED BY A CONTRACTOR THAT THE CITY HIRED TO DEMOLISH MY NEIGHBOR'S HOUSE, AND THEY CAME ON MY PROPERTY WITHOUT PERMISSION AND STARTED DEMOLISHING MY PROPERTY. I HAVE SINCE BEEN -- ADDRESSED -- TOLD BY THE CITY THEY'RE GOING TO COMPENSATE ME FOR THE DAMAGES CAUSED BY THE CONTRACTOR. ANOTHER THING I WANT TO ADDRESS IS GEORGE OSWALD FROM THE WATERSHED DEPARTMENT TOLD ME BACK IN 2007 THAT I WOULD BE HANDSOMELY COMPENSATED FOR MY PROPERTY AND OFFERED A NICE RELOCATION PACKAGE. THAT HAS NEVER MATERIALIZED. THE CITY SEEMS TO SUPPORT COMMERCIAL CORPORATE DEVELOPERS WHILE SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS FACE MANY BARRIERS. I WAS INFORMED THAT I COULD APPLY FOR A VARIANCE, BUT THAT INVOLVED A SITE APPLICATION THAT WAS ON COSTLY AND UNDERTAKING, ROUGHLY ABOUT \$30,000 WITH NO GUARANTEES OF APPROVAL BY THE CITY COUNCIL. I CANNOT UNDERSTAND WHY I WAS BEING DIRECTED TO GO THROUGH THE SITE PLAN APPLICATION WHEN PRIOR COUNCIL REVIEWS HAD GRANTED APPROVAL. OKAY.

THIS IS SOMETHING THAT I RECEIVED FROM [INAUDIBLE - NO MIC]. THE ORIGINAL BUYOUT OFFER WAS MADE IN AUGUST OF 2007. I DON'T KNOW WHY THE GUY SAID TWO YEARS. IT WAS IN 2007 THAT I WAS FIRST ADDRESSED THE BUYOUT OFFER. THE LADY SAID THAT MY HOUSE DIDN'T HAVE A PORCH. IF YOU GO OUT THERE, IT HAS A PORCH. I DON'T KNOW WHY THEY TRASH MY PROPERTY LIKE THIS. THE REPORT FAILS TO ADDRESS THE POTENTIAL OF WHAT COULD HAVE BEEN DONE IF I HAD BEEN ALLOWED TO REDEVELOP AND ESTABLISH MY HOME AND BUSINESS. MY PROPERTY HAS BEEN FAX TAXED AT THE AMOUNT OF 93,000 BY THE TRAVIS COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT FOR THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS. I CAN'T TAKE THE CITY'S 63,000-DOLLAR OFFER BASED ON OTHER OFFERS MADE TO ME BY COMPANIES INTERESTED IN BUYING MY PROPERTY. THE CLOSE PROXIMITY TO THE AIRPORT AND SURROUNDING BUSINESSES WERE IMPORTANT FACTORS TO CONSIDER. I AM A CITIZEN OF AUSTIN, A TAXPAYER, A PUBLIC SERVANT AND AS WELL A RETIRED AIR FORCE VETERAN. AND I ASK FOR ONE OF YOU TO PLEASE HELP ME RESOLVE THIS IN AN EQUITABLE MANNER. THE OPTIONS FOR FAIR RESOLUTION ARE AS FOLLOWS, APPROVAL OR BUYOUT PROPOSAL THAT INCLUDES COMPENSATION FOR RELOCATION TO A HOME SIMILAR TO THIS TYPE AND LOCATION SIMILAR TO THIS PROPERTY. A PAYMENT OF 150,000 TO 200,000. THE RIGHT TO KEEP MY PROPERTY AND DEVELOP IT AS PREVIOUSLY PLANNED. OR AT THE PRESENT TIME YOU CAN'T EXPECT ME TO BUY A PROPERTY OF THIS SIZE WITH THE TREES THAT I HAVE, THE ACREAGE, THE ZONING. I HAVE CS 1 ZONE TO GO ESTABLISH A BUSINESS, FOR \$62,000, MAYOR? WHERE CAN YOU FIND A PROPERTY FOR \$62,000 WITH WHAT I HAVE? THAT'S WHAT I'M TELLING THE STAFF AND ANYBODY THAT WILL LISTEN. CARSON CREEK WAS -- HAS BEEN OVERLOOKED FOR A LONG TIME. TXDOT IS DUMPING ALL THEIR WATER IN THERE. THE CENTER IS DUMPING AWM THEIR WATER IN THERE. CARSON CREEK IS THE SAME SIZE IT'S BEEN WHEN I GREW UP THERE 40 YEARS AGO. THEY HAVEN'T TOUCHED IT AT ALL. THE CULVERTS ON MY SIDE OF THE STREET THEY HAVEN'T TOUCHED. AND THEY EXPECT ALL THE WATER TO FLOW OUT OF THERE LIKE IT WAS 40 YEARS AGO? IT'S LIKE EXPECTING HOEKE LANE TO TAKE ALL THE TRAFFIC ON I-35. THAT'S WHAT THEY'RE DOING WITH THE WATER SYSTEM.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. QUESTIONS FOR MR. CAMPOS, COUNCIL? [ONE MOMENT, PLEASE, FOR CHANGE IN CAPTIONERS]

THE APPRAISAL, BECAUSE OF THE BUILDINGS BEING IN SUCH POOR CONDITION AND THEY HAVE TO GO THROUGH AN EXPENSIVE PROCESS IN ORDER TO BRING THE BUILDING -- EITHER RAZE THE BUILDING COMPLETELY AND REBUILD OUT OF THE FLOODPLAIN, THAT'S PROBABLY WHAT YOU'D HAVE TO DO, BECAUSE OF THE WAY -- THE FOUNDATION THAT THE PROPERTY SITS ON. IT'S ON A CONCRETE SLAB FOUNDATION. AND SO THE APPRAISER DID LOOK AT WHAT'S THE HIGHEST AND BEST USE OF THIS PROPERTY AS A SHELL BUILDING AND WHAT HE DID WAS HE LOOKED AT WHAT RENTAL STORAGE PLACES RENT FOR OR SELL FOR AND THAT'S WHAT HE USED AS A COMPARABLE, BECAUSE ONE OF THE BUILDINGS IS ACTUALLY CONDEMNED, AND THEY HAVE A COURT ORDER TO TEAR DOWN THE BUILDING, AND THEN THE OTHER BUILDING IS ONLY A SHELL. IT WAS STARTED TO BE UNDER

CONSTRUCTION BUT IT WAS NEVER COMPLETED.

MAYOR WYNN: BUT THE LAND -- THE SITE IS VIRTUALLY ALL OF THE FLOODPLAIN?

YES, IT IS. IT'S ACTUALLY IN THE TEN-YEAR FLOODPLAIN, AND YOU CAN TELL FROM THE PICTURES -- I HAVE SOME PICTURES OF THE BUILDING, THAT THE WATER ACTUALLY COMES ON TO THE PROPERTY OFTEN.

MAYOR WYNN: AND, YOU KNOW, WE HAVE, YOU KNOW, SOME CASES -- SOME CASES REGARDING POTENTIAL VARIANCES TO FLOODPLAIN --

RIGHT.

MAYOR WYNN: -- DENIALS FREQUENTLY ENOUGH UP HERE, AND IT'S PAINFUL FOR US PERSONALLY BUT ALSO FREQUENTLY WE DENY A VARIANCE TO A FLOODPLAIN REQUEST IF THERE'S JUST REALLY -- JUST A FEW INCHES WORTH OF FLOODING BECAUSE OF EVERYTHING FROM TRYING TO GET EMERGENCY VEHICLES, YOU KNOW, TO AND FROM A HOUSE. SO EVEN -- EVEN WHEN THERE'S A PROPOSAL TO LIFT A HOUSE OUT OF THE FLOODPLAIN VERTICALLY, YOU KNOW, RAISING IT 2 FEET OR SO, FREQUENTLY WE STILL DON'T ALLOW THAT JUST BECAUSE OF THE, YOU KNOW, PUBLIC SAFETY AND THE RISK INVOLVED TO BOTH THE RESIDENTS AND EVEN OUR EMPLOYEES.

AND THAT'S CORRECT. AND LET ME JUST EXPLAIN THE PURPOSE OF THIS PROPERTY AND WHY THIS IS UNDER EMINENT DOMAIN. WHERE THIS PROPERTY EXISTS ON HOKEY LANE -- LOW-WATER CROSSING AREA AND EVERY TIME WE GET A STORM EVENT THAT FLOODS AND THE REST OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD IS TRAPPED AND CAN'T GET THROUGH, AND SO THE PURPOSE OF THIS PROJECT, THEY HAVE 30-INCH REINFORCED PIPES NOW THAT GO UNDER THE ROAD AND IT'S NOT ENOUGH TO CARRY THE WATER FLOW SO THE WATER SHEETS OVER THE TOP OF THE ROAD. WHAT WE'RE PROPOSING TO PUT IN IS SIX 6-FOOT BY 8-FOOT CONCRETE PIPES IN THE GROUND AND ALSO TO RAISE THE ROADWAY UP OUT OF THE FLOODPLAIN. SO WHEN THAT MUCH WATER WILL THEN GO THROUGH, WE NEED A PLACE FOR THAT WATER TO DISCHARGE, AND SINCE MR. CAMPOS IS RIGHT ON THAT LOW-WATER CROSSING, THAT'S WHERE THE WATER WILL DISPEL WHEN IT GOES UNDERNEATH THE CONCRETE PIPES. SO THIS IS REALLY FOR THE REST OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD TO BE ABLE TO GET IN AND OUT OF THE PROPERTY SAFELY DURING A FLOOD EVENT.

MAYOR WYNN: THANK YOU, MS. RISER. FURTHER QUESTIONS? COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ?

MARTINEZ: I WANTED TO SEE IF STAFF HAD ANY PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE ACTUAL PROPERTY BECAUSE WE KEEP -- ONE SIDE SAYS ONE THING, THE OTHER SAYS IT'S NOT TRUE. IF WE HAVE PHOTOS LET'S JUST SHOW WHERE IT'S LOCATED AND WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT.

MAYOR WYNN: IF THERE'S A QUESTION FOR YOU, MR. CAMPOS, YOU CAN, AND THERE LIKELY MIGHT BE AFTER WE SEE THESE PHOTOGRAPHS.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL, IF I COULD VERY QUICKLY BEFORE WE GO INTO THE PICTURES I WANT TO POINT OUT A COUPLE OF THINGS. CERTAINLY THIS IS A LITTLE DIFFERENT FROM -- EVEN ON OUR PERSONAL BASIS WE RECOGNIZE THAT TYPICALLY THE APPRAISALS ON TCAD LAG BEHIND THE PRIVATE SECTOR. THAT'S PRETTY COMMON. THIS IS AN UNUSUAL CASE WHERE WE FIND THE INDEPENDENT APPRAISER IS ACTUALLY BELOW THE TAX DISTRICT APPRAISER'S APPRAISAL. THAT IS, AS WE TALKED ABOUT A DIFFERENCE IN THE IMPROVEMENTS THAT WERE DESCRIBED AND USED BY TCAD, WHICH THAT'S A SEPARATE ISSUE FROM THIS ISSUE TODAY, AND HOPEFULLY SOMETHING THAT CAN BE RESOLVED AT TCAD. ULTIMATELY THE ITEM TODAY IS WHETHER OR NOT TO PROCEED WITH EMINENT DOMAIN PROCEEDINGS, AND AS YOU'RE AWARE AS PART OF THOSE PROCEEDINGS THE COMMISSION WILL ULTIMATELY DECIDE THE VALUE AND THE COST TO THE CITY FOR PROCEEDING WITH THE EMINENT DOMAIN. SO IF, IN FACT, THE COMMISSION DETERMINES THAT OUR INDEPENDENT APPRAISAL WAS NOT CORRECT, THE COMMISSION WILL ULTIMATELY MAKE THAT CALL. I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE LORRAINE WALK THROUGH SOME OF THE PICTURES OF THE ACTUAL STRUCTURES.

THE FIRST PICTURE I WANTED TO SHOW YOU IS -- I GUESS -- BUT AS YOU SEE THE CARSON CREEK GOING ACROSS THE PROPERTY, YOU'LL SEE THE STRUCTURES OUTLINED IN RED. THOSE ARE THE STRUCTURES THAT WE'RE BUYING FOR CARSON CREEK AREA, THE AREA WHERE HE'S POINTING TO, AND THAT'S WHERE WE'RE GOING TO BUILD THE IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE WATER TO BE ABLE TO FLOW UNDERNEATH IT. AND HERE'S AN AERIAL TO SHOW HOW THE WATER FLOWS AND HOW THE FLOODPLAIN GOES ACROSS THE PROPERTY. OH, OKAY. GO AHEAD. THIS SHOWS A PICTURE OF EVERY TIME WE HAVE A STORM EVENT THE WATER GOING ACROSS THE ROADWAY, AND THIS IS WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE WHEN WE DON'T HAVE A STORM EVENT. AND I JUST LISTED A FEW OF THE THINGS -- THESE ARE THE PREEXISTING CONDITIONS WITH THE 32-INCH PIPE AND THE LOW POINTS OF THE ROAD, AND THEN AFTERWARDS -- AND THAT SHOWS YOU -- THOSE ARE THE SMALL PIPES THAT ARE COMING OUT OF THE PROPERTY RIGHT THERE. AND AGAIN, WE'LL BE ADDING -- IT'S 8 BY 7 AND 18.7 BY 3 CULVERTS TO HELP ALLEVIATE THAT AND WE'LL BE ELEVATING THE ROAD 3 FEET. OKAY. AND THEN THIS JUST -- I WANTED TO SHOW THE OFFER AMOUNT, 62-POINT R5, THE T CAD AMOUNT WAS 102, 972 AND COUNTEROFFER IS 150,000. OKAY. THIS IS THE HOUSE THAT IS THE SHELL OF THE HOUSE. AND THIS IS WHAT TCAD WOULD LOOK AT WHEN THEY DROVE BY AND DID THEIR APPRAISAL. THEY DON'T -- THIS IS THE INSIDE OF IT, THE INTERIOR OF THE STRUCTURE, AND THIS IS -- SHOWS IT DOESN'T HAVE ANY WALLS IN THE INSIDE OF THE STRUCTURE SO YOU NEED TO PUT UP WALLS AND PUT IN ELECTRICITY AND PLUMBING. THIS SHOWS THE WATER MARKS IN THE OUTSIDE OF THE BUILDING. THIS IS A BUILDING THAT HAS BEEN CONDEMNED. AND THAT JUST SHOWS WHERE HE'S BOARDED UP SOME OF THE WINDOWS AND STUFF IN IT. THIS IS THE INSIDE OF THE 2507 HOEKE LANE. THIS IS THE PROPERTY, I BELIEVE, THAT USED TO BE THE RESTAURANT. WHAT I WANTED TO SHOW HERE IS THAT OUR LAND VALUE IS ACTUALLY

HIGHER THAN TCAD'S LAND VALUE. TCAD'S LAND VALUE IS 81 CENTS. THAT'S WHAT HE'S PAYING TAXES ON. OUR LAND VALUE IS ACTUALLY \$1.15 A-SQUARE-FOOT, IS WHAT OUR APPRAISER PUT ON THE LAND. HERE I JUST WANTED TO SUMMARIZE THE DIFFERENCE IN WHAT TCAD HAS ON THE SIZES OF THE HOUSES AND THE DOLLAR AMOUNT THAT THEY'VE PUT ON THE HOUSES. SO YOU CAN SEE THAT TCAD HAS STRUCTURES A LOT LARGER THAN -- AND THESE WERE ACTUALLY HAND MEASURED BY THE APPRAISER OUT THERE. THIS IS THE SPORTS COURT THAT MR. CAMPOS TALKED ABOUT. WHEN I -- THIS IS THE ONE THAT OUR CONTRACTOR DID TRESPASS ON TO HIS PROPERTY AND REMOVE, ACTUALLY WHEN WE GOT THE ON-GROUND SURVEY THE COURT IS PARTIALLY ON THE PROPERTY WE HAD DEMOLISHED AND THE CONTRACTOR THOUGHT THE WHOLE THING WAS ON THE PROPERTY WE HAD DEMOLISHED. SO WE MADE MR. CAMPOS AN OFFER OF \$12,000 AND WHAT I DID WAS I GOT BIDS FROM SPORTS COURTS OF AMERICA TO BUILD HIM A NEW SPORTS COURT, AND I ALSO GOT A CONTRACTOR TO GO OUT AND GIVE ME A PRICE TO BRING OUT A TRACTOR AND REMOVE SOME OF THE RUTS OUT THERE, AND THEN THE RENT OF HIS PROPERTY DURING THE TWO WEEKS THAT THE CONTRACTOR WAS OUT ON HIS SITE AND I MADE AN OFFER EVER \$11,000 TO MR. CAMPOS BASED ON THAT TO SETTLE THE TRESPASS CASE. AND THERE'S THE SUMMARY OF WHAT WE HAVE DONE TO TRY TO FIX THE TRESPASS ISSUE. AND I HAVE APOLOGIZED TO MR. CAMPOS AND WE ARE SORRY. AND AGAIN, THAT'S JUST ANOTHER [INAUDIBLE]

MAYOR WYNN: THANK YOU, MIST ROGERS. AS MR. GARZA POINTED OUT, IF WE PROCEED WITH EMINENT DOMAIN, ULTIMATELY THAT FOLLOWS, YOU KNOW, THE EXISTING STRUCTURE IN THE STATE WHERE ULTIMATELY THREE PRIVATE CITIZENS, NO. TCAD, NOT THE CITY OF AUSTIN, THE THREE PRIVATE CITIZENS DETERMINE THE VALUE THAT L CAMPOS WILL BE PAID. SO THE COUNCIL IS NOT VOTING ESSENTIALLY ON THE VALUE THAT MR. CAMPOS WILL GET PAID SHOULD IT BE EMINENT -- SHOULD THE EMINENT DOMAIN CASE PROCEED.

THAT IS CORRECT.

MAYOR WYNN: THANK YOU. FURTHER QUESTIONS FOR MS. MS. RISER?

MCCRACKEN: WHAT HAPPENS IF COUNCIL DECIDED NOT TO MOVE FORWARD WITH EMINENT DOMAIN? WHAT HAPPENS TO THE PROCESS.

WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IS WE WOULD HAVE TO PUT -- CANCEL THE PROJECT, BECAUSE WE HAVE TO PAY FAIR MARKET VALUE FOR THE PROPERTY, AND SINCE TCAD DOESN'T EVEN HAVE THE RIGHT IMPROVEMENTS ON THERE, WE CAN'T PAY FOR IMPROVEMENTS THAT DON'T EXIST.

MCCRACKEN: THANK YOU.

MAYOR WYNN: FURTHER QUESTIONS FOR MS. RISER OR STAFF OR ANYBODY ELSE? AND

HEARING NONE I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION ON ITEM NO. 14. IF A COUNCIL MEMBER ASKS A QUESTION, YOU COULD DIRECT IT --

MS. CAMPOS, DO YOU WANT TO COME UP -- MR. CAMPOS, DO YOU WANT TO COME UP?

DO YOU THINK THIS WAS A -- I THOUGHT WE WERE IN THE PROCESS OF CONDEMNATION AT THIS LEVEL. THE CITY HAS NOT CONDEMNED MY PROPERTY. I DON'T KNOW WHY SHE KEEPS ON SAYING THE WORD CONDEMNED. THE CITY TOLD ME TO BOARD IT UP BECAUSE KIDS MIGHT GET IN THERE AND I BOARDED IT OCCUPY UP. I WAS WAITING FOR THE BUYOUT OFFER FROM THE CITY TO COME TO A RESOLUTION, AND APPARENTLY WE CAN'T. BUT MY PROPERTY BY NO MEANS IS CONDEMNED. ANOTHER REASON THE PROPERTY IS IN THAT CONDITION IS BECAUSE I WAS EXPECTING A NICE COMPENSATION PACKAGE FROM THE CITY ANN AND I'M RECEIVING NOTHING. I PAID 50,000 IN 1987. NO APPRECIATION TO THE PROPERTY ALL THIS TIME? AND LIKE I MENTIONED BEFORE, THE NEGLECT THAT THE CITY OF AUSTIN OVERLOOKED MY NEIGHBORHOOD FOR ALL THESE YEARS, WHEN THEY ALLOWED THE MET CENTER DEVELOPMENT TO TAKE PLACE, WHERE WAS THE CITY THEN? WHAT ARE MY REPRESENTATIVES DOING FOR ME? IT'S RIDICULOUS. THEY DEVELOPED CORPORATE ENTITIES, BUT SMALL BUSINESS THEY SAY FORGET IT. WE DON'T HAVE TIME FOR YOU. IS THAT THE WAY -- THE WEIRD MENTALITY OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN IS WORKING NOWADAYS? IT'S JUST UPSETTING, AND I CAN UNDERSTAND -- I CAN'T UNDERSTAND HOW THIS PROCESS WORKS. I'M TRYING TO UNDERSTAND IT BUT I CAN'T.

I HAVE ONE MORE QUESTION.

MAYOR WYNN: MR. MARTINEZ? MARTINEZ MARTINEZ THANK YOU, MR. CAMPOS. WHAT IS THE TOTAL COST OF THE PROJECT FOR ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS?

I DO NOT HAVE THAT INFORMATION. I DO NOT HAVE -- WATERSHED [INAUDIBLE]

MORE THAN A MILLION-DOLLAR?

I BELIEVE SO. YES, IT IS.

BECAUSE WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT IS BASED ON YOUR RESPONSE, YOU KNOW, WE'RE TALKING ABOUT \$40,000 IN DISCREPANCY HERE, MAYBE THEREABOUT, IN TERMS OF AN OFFER, THAT COULD POTENTIALLY KILL A MULTI-MILLION-DOLLAR PROJECT. I DON'T SEE HOW \$40,000 DISCREPANCY KILLS A MULTI-MILLION-DOLLAR PROJECT.

WELL, THIS IS -- AGAIN, WHEN THEY GO TO THE COMMISSIONERS HEARING, THE COMMISSIONERS CAN AWARD HIM THE 150,000 AND THE CITY WILL PAY IT.

I UNDERSTAND. I'M TALKING ABOUT WHAT WE CAN DO, THOUGH, WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO. WE'RE TRYING TO DO SOME ROADWAY IMPROVEMENT. WE'VE NEGOTIATED WITH

FOLKS, AND NEGOTIATIONS BROKE DOWN IN THIS CASE, AND I JUST FIND IT HARD TO BELIEVE THAT WE'RE GOING TO SCRAP A MULTI-MILLION-DOLLAR PROJECT BECAUSE OF A \$40,000 NEGOTIATION DISCREPANCY.

MAYOR WYNN: FURTHER COMMENTS, QUESTIONS? IF NOT I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION ON ITEM NO. 14. FURTHER COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS ON ITEM 14? SEEMS TO ME IT'S A CASE WHERE WHEN WE DO BUY PROPERTY, WE GET AN APPRAISAL TO MAKE SURE WE'RE TRYING TO, YOU KNOW, FRANKLY CONSERVE OUR MONEY AS BEST WE CAN, AND IN THIS CASE THE APPRAISAL IS SO FAR BELOW WHAT, I BELIEVE, THE OFFER, LET ALONE THE TCAD, NUMBER HAS BEEN ON THAT PROPERTY, THAT BY GOING THROUGH THE EMINENT DOMAIN PROCESS, THREE PRIVATE CITIZENS, A COMMISSION, GETS TO AWARD MR. CAMPOS WHAT THEY BELIEVE IS AS A PRIVATE CITIZEN TO BE FAIR TO MR. CAMPOS, INDEPENDENT OF WHAT OUR APPRAISER SAYS OR INDEPENDENT OF WHAT HOW MUCH WE WOULD LIKE TO PAY.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER MCCRACKEN.

DUNKERLEY: SECOND.

MAYOR WYNN: SECOND BY MAYOR PRO TEM TO APPROVE ITEM 14 AS POSTED. FURTHER COMMENT? WE APPRECIATE MR. CAMPOS'S PATIENCE AND TRYING TO UNDERSTAND WHAT CAN BE A COMPLICATED PROCESS. MOTION AND SECOND. FURTHER COMMENTS? HEARING NONE, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

MAYOR WYNN: AYE. OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF 6-1 WITH COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ VOTING NO. THANK YOU ALL. COUNCIL, SO TRY TO SORT OF MANAGE OUR MORNING HERE. I STILL HAVE ANOTHER DISCUSSION ITEM TO TAKE UP, BUT FRANKLY OUR - - OUR TEAM FROM THE MENTAL HEALTH TASK FORCE MONITORING COMMITTEE HAS BEEN PATIENTLY WAITING TO GIVE US THEIR SCHEDULED PRESENTATION, AND I BELIEVE WE CAN GET THAT DONE PRIOR TO OUR CITIZEN COMMUNICATION. WELCOME, DR. STONE TO THE PODIUM. I BELIEVE WE ALL HAVE A HARD COPY OF THAT PRESENTATION, AND JUST TO HELP PEOPLE PLAN THE REST OF THEIR MIDDAY, MY INSTINCT IS IF THIS TAKES THE ENTIRE 30 MINUTES, THEN AT NOON WE WILL TAKE UP OUR CITIZEN COMMUNICATION, WHICH WILL LAST APPROXIMATELY 30 MINUTES, 10 SPEAKERS AT 3 MINUTES APIECE, AND THEN WE WOULD TAKE UP ITEM NO. 63 RIGHT AT 12:30 BEFORE WE THEN GO INTO CLOSED SESSION. WELCOME, DO. STONE.

THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING, MAYOR WYNN AND COUNCIL MEMBERS. THANK YOU FORGIVE ME AN OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT THE MAYOR'S MENTAL TASK FORCE MONITORING COMMITTEE THIRD ANNUAL REPORT. SEEMS LIKE ONLY YESTERDAY THAT WE STARTED THIS PROCESS, SO IT'S PRETTY EXCITING TO HAVE THREE YEARS OF DATA AND WE HAVE A

LOT OF GOOD INFORMATION IN THIS REPORT. I'M GOING TO SHARE WITH YOU JUST A LITTLE BIT OF IT TODAY. PUT THE POWERPOINT UP? THE POWERPOINT?

I THINK THE TEAM IS PULLING FORWARD.

I WANT TO START WITH SOME ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, FIRST I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE MAYOR WYNN AND HIS CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR OUR COMMITTEE AND ALSO ACKNOWLEDGE CITY STAFF, WILLIE WILLIAMS, VINCE GORBALES HAVE BEEN ACTIVE AND SUPPORTING OUR WORK. I WANT TO THANK THE HMHR BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND THE CENTER STAFF FOR THEIR SUPPORT OF WHAT WE'VE DONE IN THE LAST THREE YEARS. I HAVE TO OBVIOUSLY THANK MY COMMITTEE MEMBERS. THEY'RE ALL VERY BUSY PEOPLE AND THEY STAY ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN OUR COMMITTEE WHICH MEETS MONTHLY AND SUBCOMMITTEES THAT MEET BETWEEN MEETINGS, SO IT'S BEEN A VERY ACTIVE COMMITTEE AND WE'RE VERY GRATEFUL FOR THAT. AND FINALLY I WANT TO THANK ALL THE MENTAL HEALTH PROVIDERS IN OUR COMMUNITY THAT HAVE HELPED PROVIDE DATA FOR THIS REPORT AND FOR MANY OTHER REPORTS THAT WE'VE DONE. I KNOW IT TAKES A LOT OF WORK TO DEVELOP THAT KIND OF DATA AND I REALLY APPRECIATE THEIR SUPPORT. WE DID A MODIFIED FORMAT OF OUR REPORT THIS YEAR. WHAT YOU HAVE IN FRONT OF YOU IS OUR EXECUTIVE SUMMARY, WHICH IS WHAT WE PRINTED AND DISTRIBUTED WIDELY THROUGHOUT THE LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNITY. THE FULL REPORT IS ON OUR WEB SITE, AND SO I REALLY ENCOURAGE YOU TO GO TO OUR WEB SITE. YOU'VE GOT THE EMAIL -- THE WEB SITE ADDRESS. IT'S MMHTFMC.ORG. TO REALLY CLICK ON THE THIRD ANNUAL REPORT AND SEE THE DATA THAT UNDERLIES WHAT'S IN THIS EXECUTIVE SUMMARY BECAUSE IT'S IMPORTANT DATA. WE DID THIS FOR TWO REASONS. ONE IS TO SAVE TREES, BUT SECONDLY WE WANTED TO INCREASE THE WEB SITE TRAFFIC BECAUSE WE HAVE A LOT OF GREAT INFORMATION ON OUR WEB SITE, AND REALLY WANT PEOPLE TO VISIT AND LOOK AT THE DATA THAT WE HAVE. JUST IN KIND OF GENERAL BEFORE I GET INTO THE ACTUAL REPORT, COMMITTEE ROLES AND CHALLENGES. WE RECEIVED NATIONAL RECOGNITION ON A NUMBER OF LEVELS. WE'VE BEEN INVITED TO PRESENT AT SEVERAL NATIONAL CONFERENCES, HAD SEVERAL PUBLICATIONS ACCEPTED INTO JOURNALS AND AK EXTRACTS ACCEPTED AND THE PROCESS AND SOME OF OUR REPORTS HAVE BEEN REPLICATED IN OTHER CITIES ACROSS THE COUNTRY. SO WE'RE PLEASED TO SAY THAT. WE HAVE VERY SIGNIFICANT AND CONSISTENT PARTICIPATION. ALMOST ALL OF OUR MEETINGS HAVE 30 TO 35 PARTICIPANTS, WITH GUESTS AND SPEAKERS, AND WE'RE VERY PLEASED WITH THAT. WE CONTINUE TO HAVE A CHALLENGE WITH REALLY ENGAGING THE WHOLE COMMUNITY. WE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH PARTICIPATION FROM MINORITY GROUPS AND WE REALLY HAVE NOT DONE AS GOOD A JOB AS WE'D LIKE TO CONNECT WITH THAT, SO WE HAVE SOME WORK TO DO. WE'RE GOING TO BE DOING SOME TARGETED RECRUITING IN THE NEXT YEAR TO TRY TO INCREASE THE DIVERSITY OF MEMBERSHIP IN OUR -- ON OUR COMMITTEE. WE'VE ALSO KIND OF MODIFIED SOME OF THE THINGS WE'VE DONE THIS YEAR. WE STARTED DOING SOME PUBLIC FORUMS. IN DECEMBER WE HAD A PUBLIC FORUM ABOUT HOUSING COMMITTEES. THERE ARE A NUMBER OF PLANNING GROUPS DOING WORK

ON HOUSING, AND WE PULLED UP THE MONITORING COMMITTEE, ONE OF OUR ROLES AS COORDINATING AND PLANNING, WE PULLED TOGETHER THOSE GROUPS TO REALLY SHARE WHAT WAS GOING ON. WE ALSO IN JANUARY HERE AT CITY HALL HAD A CRIMINAL JUSTICE MENTAL HEALTH FORUM TO HIGHLIGHT THE GOOD ACTIVITIES THAT ARE GOING ON IN OUR COMMUNITY IN THAT AREA. ONE OF THE QUESTIONS THAT WE HAD TO ASK WHEN WE STARTED OUR WORK AS A COMMITTEE IS HOW WILL WE KNOW WHEN WE'VE -- YOU KNOW, OUR GOAL IS TO MAKE AUSTIN A NATIONAL MODEL OF A MENTALLY HEALTHY COMMUNITY SO HOW DO WE KNOW HOW WE'RE DOING WITH REGARD TO THAT GOAL? SO WE IN THE FIRST YEAR IDENTIFIED SOME EASILY MEASURED INDICATORS TO DEVELOP A MENTALLY HEALTHY COMMUNITY SCORECARD, TO REALLY LOOK AT HOW WE'RE PROGRESSING ACROSS THOSE AREAS. WE HAVE 17 INDICATORS IN THAT SCORECARD. THREE OF THEM THIS YEAR WERE SCORED NEUTRAL. BECAUSE THERE WERE TOO MANY CHANGES IN THE COMMUNITY RELATED TO THOSE PARTICULAR ISSUES TO RATE THEM AS EITHER POSITIVE OR NEGATIVE BUT OF THE 14 SCORED 11, OR 78% SHOWED IMPROVEMENT BETWEEN 2005 AND 2006, SO WE SEE THIS AS A POSITIVE DEVELOPMENT AND WE'LL BE DOING A 2007 UPDATE SHORTLY. THE SCORE CARDS ARE ALSO ON THE WEB SITE. THERE'S A SEPARATE TAB ON THE WEB SITE THAT SHOWS WHERE THE SCORE CARDS ARE. -- SCORE CARDS ARE. AS I THINK I'VE SPOKEN TO YOU-ALL BEFORE. WE'VE IDENTIFIED A NUMBER OF FOCUS AREAS TO HELP DEVELOP ACTION PLANS AROUND TO IMPLEMENT THE 39 CRITERIA THAT WERE IN THE ORIGINAL TASK FORCE REPORT. WE ALWAYS START WITH SCHOOLS AND YOUTH BECAUSE MENTALLY HEALTHY COMMUNITY STARTS WITH ITS CHILDREN, AND OFTEN CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS ARE LEFT OUT OF PUBLIC POLICY DISCUSSIONS. WE HAVE A VERY STRONG AND ACTIVE PLANNING PARTNERSHIP FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH HERE IN OUR COMMUNITY, IN AND THE CHILDREN'S PARTNERSHIP CONTINUES TO EXPAND AND SUSTAIN ITSELF AND THEY'VE COMBINED WITH THE TRI AD. WRAP AROUND AS FAR AS FOR CHILDREN WITH DISTURBANCES AND IT'S A NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED PROGRAM. WE WERE LUCKY TO RECEIVE A GRANT TO DEVELOP A MENTAL HEALTH COURT IN THE JUVENILE PROBATION DEPARTMENT. THIS IS ONE OF THE FEW IN THE COUNTRY THAT EXISTS, SO WE'RE VERY PLEASED AND THEY'RE ACTUALLY GIVING US AN UPDATE TOMORROW AT OUR MEETING ABOUT HOW THAT'S GOING. THERE'S BEEN AN EXPANSION OF A SET OF PROGRAMS CALLED POSITIVE BEHAVIOR SUPPORT. THIS WAS ACTUALLY A RECOMMENDATION IN OUR LAST REPORT THAT THIS IS -- THIS IS A NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED BEST PRACTICE, AND IT'S EXPANDING THROUGHOUT AUSTIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, WHICH WE SEE AS A VERY SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENT. UNFORTUNATELY WE ALSO HAVE SOME NOT SO ENCOURAGING NEWS TO REPORT TO YOU THAT THERE HAVE BEEN A NUMBER OF SUICIDES IN OUR COMMUNITY IN RECENT MONTHS AMONG OUR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS, AND SO THAT IS OBVIOUSLY CONCERNING US, AND THERE ARE A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT ACTIVITIES THAT ARE TAKING PLACE IN THE COMMUNITY THAT WE'VE BEEN PARTICIPATING IN TO ADDRESS THAT ISSUE, WHICH I'LL TALK ABOUT IN A LITTLE BIT. THERE'S A GREAT DEAL OF ACTIVITY GOING ON, INTERFACE BETWEEN MENTAL HEALTH AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE. AS YOU-ALL PROBABLY KNOW, THE LACK OF FUNDING FOR PUBLIC MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES HAS CAUSED THE GRAVITATION

OF INDIVIDUALS WITH SEVERE MENTAL ILLNESS INTO OUR CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEMS. THIS IS HAPPENING ACROSS THE COUNTRY, BUT AUSTIN HAS REALLY UNDERTAKEN A NUMBER OF INNOVATIVE INITIATIVES TO ADDRESS THIS PROBLEM. WE WERE CHOSEN AS A MENTAL HEALTH JAIL DIVERSION COST STIMULATION TOOL TESTING SITE. THAT'S A HANDFUL, BUT WHAT THIS IS WAS A SOFTWARE PROGRAM THAT LETS YOU LOOK ACROSS ALL SYSTEMS TO EVALUATE WHETHER MENTAL HEALTH JAIL DIVERSION PROGRAMS ARE EFFECTIVE. AUSTIN WAS CHOSEN AS A MENTAL HEALTH LEARNING SITE BY THE NATIONAL INSTITUTES ON CORRECTIONS ALLOWED US TO BRING IN EXPERTS TO GUIDE US IN MAKING DECISIONS ABOUT THE FLOW OF PEOPLE AS THEY MOVE THROUGH THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM. WE HAVE IMPLEMENTED THE FIRST IN THE NATION, TRAVIS COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH PUBLIC DEFENDERS OFFICE. THIS IS A PUBLIC DEFENDERS OFFICE SPECIFICALLY DEDICATED TO INDIVIDUALS WITH MENTAL ILLNESS WHO COME THROUGH THE MISDEMEANOR COURTS AND AGAIN THIS IS A NATIONAL MODEL THAT NO ONE ELSE IS DOING THIS ACROSS THE COUNTRY. IN ADDITION TO THAT WE HAVE WHAT WE CALL THE MENTAL HEALTH WHEEL, WHICH IS 25 DEFENSE ATTORNEYS WHO HAVE VOLUNTEERED TO RECEIVE SPECIFIC TRAINING WITH REGARD TO MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES AND PREFERENCELY ACCEPT CRIMINAL CASES THAT INVOLVE DEFENDANTS WITH MENTAL ILLNESSES WHICH ARE CHALLENGING WORK. WE HAVE A SPECIALIST PROSECUTOR IN THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE WHO HAS SPECIALIZED KNOWLEDGE OF MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES. AGAIN, ON ONE OF OUR CHALLENGES IN THIS AREA, WHEN PEOPLE ARE FOUND INCOMPETENT TO STAND TRIAL IN OUR JAILS, THERE HAVE BEEN -- THERE HAVE BEEN LONG WAITS FOR TRANSFER TO A STATE PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITAL, AS MUCH AS MONTHS. AND THESE ARE SOME OF THE MOST SEVERELY ILL FOLKS BECAUSE THEY'RE NOT EVEN COMPETENT TO STAND TRIAL AND THEY'RE SPENDING MUCH TOO MUCH TIME IN THE JAIL WAITING TRANSFER TO FORENSIC PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITAL BECAUSE THERE'S A SHORTAGE OF THAT HOSPITAL SPACE. WE HAVE SOME RECOMMENDATION TO ADDRESS THAT AS WELL THAT I'LL SPEAK TO LATER. IN TERMS OF HOUSING, INCREASINGLY HOUSING HAS BECOME THE MOST IMPORTANT FOCUS AREA THAT WE HAVE. YOU CAN HAVE AS MANY MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMS AS, YOU KNOW, YOUR HEART DESIRES, BUT IF PEOPLE DON'T HAVE A PLACE TO LIVE, THEY'RE NOT GOING TO PROGRESS VERY WELL. BUT THIS HAS BEEN A DIFFICULT AREA TO GET TRACTION ON. THERE ARE A NUMBER OF PLANNING GROUPS LOOKING AT HOUSING BUT REALLY DIFFICULT TO GET A HANDLE ON HOUSING FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH MENTAL ILLNESS. SO WE HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH A GROUP OUT OF THE WASHINGTON, D.C. CALLED THE CORPORATION FOR SUPPORTIVE HOUSING. IT'S A NONPROFIT GROUP THAT ASSISTS COMMUNITIES IN PLANNING AROUND SUPPORTIVE HOUSING FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS. AND THEY HAVE BEEN PROVIDING US TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE THROUGHOUT THIS PAST YEAR AND WILL CONTINUE TO WORK WITH US TO COORDINATE PLANNING EFFORTS AND WE'RE ACTUALLY SEEKING FUNDING AT THIS POINT IN TIME TO DEVELOP A FINANCIAL MODELING PLAN, WHICH REALLY LOOKS ACROSS OUR COMMUNITY AND MAKES RECOMMENDATIONS ABOUT WHAT KINDS OF HOUSING WE NEED BASED ON FINANCIAL ISSUES, NOT JUST -- NOT JUST HOUSING NEEDS. WE ACKNOWLEDGE IN THIS REPORT THE TRANSITIONAL HOUSING FUNDING OF A MILLION

DOLLARS PROVIDED BY THE CITY AND PLANNING IS MOVING FORWARD ON IMPLEMENTING THAT TRANSITIONAL HOUSING FOR INDIVIDUALS COMING OUT OF OUR STATE PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITALS. ACCESS IS AN IMPORTANT ISSUE FOR A MENTALLY HEALTHY COMMUNITY, OBVIOUSLY. WE HAVE BEEN IN THE LAST TWO YEARS -- WE HAVE BUN SYSTEM MAPPING DATA WHICH LOOKS ACROSS THE COMMUNITY, NOT JUST PUBLIC MENTAL HEALTH, BUT PUBLIC, PRIVATE AND NONPROFIT, TO REALLY SEE WHAT KINDS OF SERVICES WE HAVE IN OUR COMMUNITY, AND WHAT'S THE CAPACITY OF THOSE SERVICES, WHAT ARE THE WAITING LISTS. SO WE REALLY GET A GOOD IDEA OF WHAT IT IS WE CURRENTLY HAVE AND LOOK FROM YEAR TO YEAR AS TO HOW THAT CAPACITY IS CHANGING. INCREASINGLY WE'RE STARTING TO INCLUDE NATIONAL BENCHMARKS IN OUR DATA COLLECTION, LOOKING AT -- NOW THAT WE SEE WHAT WE HAVE, WHAT IS IT THAT WE REALLY NEED? AND I'LL TALK ABOUT THAT IN A MINUTE AS WELL. ONE OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE ORIGINAL TASK FORCE REPORT WAS THAT THE CITY AND THE COUNTY ADOPT MENTAL HEALTH INSURANCE PARITY AS A MODEL TO OTHER EMPLOYERS ACROSS THE CITY. I'M PLEASED TO SAY IN THE COMING BUDGET CYCLE THE CITY OF AUSTIN IS GOING TO ADOPT FULL MENTAL HEALTH PARITY. THE CITY IS CLOSE AT THIS POINT IN TIME BUT THEY'LL ADOPT FULL MENTAL HEALTH PARITY AND WILL BE WORKING WITH THE COUNTY THIS COMING YEAR. AS YOU WELL KNOW THERE HAVE BEEN A NUMBER OF CHANGES IN ISSUES WITH REGARD TO STATE HOSPITAL UTILIZATION AND CRISIS SERVICES AND WE'VE MONITORED THAT CLOSELY AS THOSE CHANGES HAPPEN. JUST A FEW, YOU KNOW, DATA POINTS, AND AGAIN THERE'S A LOT MORE DATA ON THE WEB SITE. I KNOW THERE'S NOT ENOUGH TIME TO GO THROUGH IT ALL BUT ONE OF THE BIG ISSUES THAT WE HAVE IN AUSTIN PARTICULARLY IS THE SUPPLY OF MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS IS REALLY CHALLENGING, EVEN FOR PEOPLE WHO HAVE GOOD INSURANCE OR GOOD FUNDING. SO WE'VE BEEN LOOKING ACROSS -- AS YOU SEE IN THIS GRAPH, EVEN WITH OUR POPULATION INCREASE, WE HAD A DECREASE OF MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS BETWEEN 2002 AND 2005. FOR 2007 WE HAD A SLIGHT INCREASE, SO WE SEE THAT AS POTENTIALLY A POSITIVE DEVELOPMENT. EMERGENCY SERVICES HAVE -- UTILIZATION OF EMERGENCY SERVICES FOR MENTAL HEALTH REASONS HAS INCREASED TO SOME EXTENT OVER THE YEARS AS WE LOOK AT 2005, 2006 AND 2007. WE DON'T REALLY KNOW IF THIS IS POSITIVE OR A NEGATIVE. WE ACTUALLY RATED THIS AS NEUTRAL BECAUSE IT MAY MEAN THAT THERE'S BETTER RECOGNITION OF MENTAL HEALTH PROBLEMS. IT MAY ALSO MEAN THAT THERE'S NOT ENOUGH ACCESS TO ROUTINE SERVICES, LEADING PEOPLE INTO CRISIS CARE. AS YOU-ALL KNOW, THE STATE DEPARTMENT -- DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES HAS IN RECENT YEARS SIGNIFICANTLY LIMITED ELIGIBILITY FOR PUBLIC MENTAL HEALTH CARE IN OUR COMMUNITY ACROSS THE STATE, SO WE'VE BEEN LOOKING AT WAITING LISTS. THOSE ELIGIBILITY RESTRICTIONS CAUSED THE AUSTIN-TRAVIS COUNTY MHMR CENTER TO BEGIN A WAITING LIST FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THE HISTORY OF THAT ORGANIZATION SO WE'VE BEEN LOOKING AT THAT BETWEEN 2005, 2006, 2007, AND YOU CAN SEE THAT IT HAS NOT SURPRISINGLY GROWN. WHEN WE TALK ABOUT A MENTALLY HEALTHY COMMUNITY WE'RE REALLY TALKING ABOUT BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ISSUES. WE KNOW THAT MANY PEOPLE WHO HAVE MENTAL ILLNESS ALSO HAVE SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS AND WE'RE TRYING TO

INTEGRATE THOSE TWO APPROACHES. WE HAVE A SERIOUS SHORTAGE OF AVAILABLE SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES HERE IN OUR COMMUNITY. THERE'S A TWO-MONTH WAIT FOR REHABILITATION SERVICES, AND THERE'S SOME KIND OF ROLLING PERIOD OF ELIGIBILITY THAT'S TOO COMPLICATED TO GET INTO HERE BUT WHAT THAT MEANS IS THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO ARE SEEKING REHABILITATION SERVICES CAN'T GET THEM. WE ALSO HAVE MINIMUMLY AVAILABLE DETOXIFICATION SERVICES FOR PEOPLE WHO NEED SUPERVISED DID HE TOX TOXICATION AND WE'VE GOT NATIONAL BENCHMARKS IN OUR REPORT ABOUT WHAT WE PROBABLY SHOULD HAVE IN THAT REGARD. ON OUR WEB SITE AND IN OUR REPORT WE DOCUMENT A NUMBER OF COMMUNITY AWARENESS EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES THAT WE ARE PROMOTING. WE HIGHLIGHTED THE CENTRAL TEXAS AFRICAN-AMERICAN FAMILY SUPPORT CONFERENCE AS BEING A VERY SUCCESSFUL EVENT IN OUR COMMUNITY. WE ALSO ARE DEVELOPING A CURRICULUM FOR CLERGY MEMBERS TO WORK WITH INDIVIDUALS WITH MENTAL ILLNESS, OFFERING THE FIRST PLACE SOMEONE GOES WHEN THEY HAVE MENTAL HEALTH PROBLEMS IS TO THEIR PASTOR OR PRIEST, SORT OF REALLY GIVE THESE INDIVIDUALS MORE INFORMATION ABOUT HOW TO ADDRESS THAT AND WHEN TO REFER AND HOW TO REFER TO MENTAL HEALTH SPECIALIST. WE FOUND IN WORKING ON THIS CURRICULUM THAT THERE ARE A NUMBER OF CURRICULA ACROSS THE COUNTRY TO ADDRESS THIS SO WE'RE RESEARCHING THOSE AND WE'LL ADOPT FROM THOSE. I WANTED TO GIVE YOU JUST A REALLY BRIEF UPDATE ON THE 2007 GOALS AND PRIORITIES THAT WE PRESENTED TO YOU LAST YEAR. I'VE GIVEN YOU ALREADY AN ANALYSIS OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES. IT JUST CONTINUES TO GROW AND WE'RE VERY PLEASED ABOUT THAT. WE ARE LOOKING AT THE IMPACT OF CRISIS REDESIGN, AND AS YOU-ALL KNOW, THE AUSTIN-TRAVIS COUNTY MHMR COMMIT SUBMITTED A PROPOSAL TO THE DEPARTMENT OF SERVICES FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR CRISIS SERVICES SO WE'LL BE LOOKING AT CHANGES IN SERVICE SYSTEM CAPACITY AND SERVICE SYSTEM FLOW AS THAT CRISIS SERVICE REDESIGN TEAS PLACE. WE HAVE LIMITED SUCCESS IN OUR ON-LINE RESOURCE TOOLKIT. WE WERE HOPING TO DEVELOP A TOOLKIT ON OUR WEB SITE THAT PEOPLE CAN GO TO WHEN THOF MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES AND THAT'S STILL IN DEVELOPMENT. I'VE SPOKEN TO YOU ABOUT THE TRAINING CURRICULUM FOR FAITH BASED AND PROGRESS WITH REGARD TO SCHOOLS AND YOUTH. PROMOTING BEHAVIORAL AND SPIRITUAL NEEDS, THAT WAS A PRIORITY AND I THINK THAT WILL BE AN ONGOING PRIORITY FOR US. I'VE DISCUSSED INCREASING DIVERSITY OF MEMBERSHIP ON OUR COMMITTEE. WE HAVE INCLUDED INCREASE FOCUS ON EMPLOYMENT ISSUES. WE ARE DOING THE FOLLOW-UP ON IT. WE DID THE FOLLOW-UP ON THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICE SYSTEM MAPPING. WE WILL DO THAT AGAIN AND I'VE ALREADY SPOKEN TO YOU ABOUT HOUSING. -- HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS. WE JUST WANTED TO GIVE A FEW -- GIVE YOU A FEW IDEAS ABOUT ISSUES THAT WE SEE ON THE HORIZON AND SOME POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS. WE WERE LUCKY ENOUGH IN THIS COMMUNITY TO RECEIVE TWO VERY LARGE GRANTS WITH REGARD TO SCHOOLS AND YOUTH. ONE WENT TO AISD AND ITS PARTNERS, THE OTHER TO TRAVIS COUNTY. WE'LL BE LOOKING AT, THOSE ARE LARGE AMOUNTS OF MONEY, WE'LL BE LOOKING AT THE IMPACT OF THAT. THE EXPANSION OF SYSTEMS OF CARE APPROACH IS ONE OF OUR

RECOMMENDATIONS, AND THAT IS HAPPENING, SO WE'RE VERY PLEASED BY THAT. OUR CHILDREN AND YOUTH SUBCOMMITTEE HAS ENDORSED THE MEDICAID AND CHIP RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY CHILDREN MENTAL HEALTH POLICY CONSORTIUM WHICH MAKES ELIGIBLE EASIER SO WE CAN DRAW DOWN MORE FEDERAL FUNDS FOR COMAI AND CHIP MEDICAID AND CHIP. WE DEVELOPED THE DEVELOPMENT -- I TALKED TO YOU ABOUT THE FOLKS INCOMPETENT TO STAND TRIAL, WAITING LONG TIMES IN OUR JAIL. WE RECOMMENDED IN THIS REPORT THAT THE AUSTIN-TRAVIS COUNTY MHMR CENTER DEVELOP AN OUTPATIENT RESTORATION OF COMPETENCY PROGRAM. OUR STATUTE ALLOWS THESE PEOPLE TO BE RESTORED TO COMPETENCY IN THE COMMUNITY. NO ONE HAS HAD A PROGRAM TO DO THAT. AUSTIN-TRAVIS COUNTY DID DEVELOP THAT PROPOSAL ALREADY, SUBMITTED IT TO THE STATE HEALTH SERVICES AND RECEIVED THE COMPETITIVE FUNDING FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THAT PROGRAM SO WE'RE PLEASED WITH THAT. I'VE TOLD YOU WE HAVE A MENTAL HEALTH SPECIALIST IN THE COUNTY ATTORNEY. OUR REJS IS WE NEED ONE IN THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE SO WE WILL BE MAKING THAT PUSH IN THE COMING YEAR. ONE OF THE MAJOR RECOMMENDATION, AS, ONE OF THE FIRST RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE TASK REPORT OF 2005 IS WE NEED PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITAL BEDS, PSYCHIATRIC SERVICES IN OUR GENERAL MEDICAL HOSPITALS. MOST URBAN COMMUNITIES HAVE THAT CAPACITY AND AUSTIN HAS NOT HAD THAT CAPACITY AND WE STAND BY THAT RECOMMENDATION, AND THEN I'VE ALREADY SPOKEN TO YOU ABOUT EXPANSION OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND DETOXIFICATION SERVICES. SOME OF THE NEXT STEPS AND ACTION PLANS WE'LL BE WORKING ON IN THE COMING YEAR, OUR COMMITTEE WAS CHARGED FOR FIVE YEARS SO THAT LEAVES US TWO MORE YEARS TO GO, SO WE'RE LOOKING AT -- WE HAVE A COMMITTEE, LOOKING AT TRANSITION PLANS FOR THE TWO YEARS. WE'RE ALSO LOOKING AT A MEMBERSHIP PLAN TO REALLY IMPROVE DIVERSITY AND A COMMUNICATION PLAN TO KIND OF WORK MORE WITH THESE PUBLIC FORUM EVENTS AND REACH OUT MORE TO THE COMMUNITY ABOUT THE ISSUES THAT WE ARE TALKING ABOUT. IN RESPONSE TO THE SUICIDE CLUSTER AMONG OUR YOUTHS WE HAVE TWO THINGS. ONE IS SOMETHING CALLED POST-VENTION PLANNING. IT'S A NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED APPROACH AND WE BROUGHT IN NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED EXPERTS TO GUIDE US IN INSTRUCTING OUR COMMUNITY HOW TO RESPOND TO SUICIDES WHEN THEY OCCUR SO THAT WE HAVE A THOUGHTFUL WAY OF ADDRESSING THAT ISSUE. WE ALSO -- THE LAST DATA WE HAVE AVAILABLE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES ON THE SUICIDE RATE IN AUSTIN-TRAVIS COUNTY WAS FROM 2005, SO IT'S THREE YEARS LATE, AND THAT'S TYPICALLY THE CASE. WE USUALLY HAVE TO WAIT THREE YEARS TO GET THAT DATA, AND IT'S NOT ALL THAT USEFUL TO US THREE MONTHS LATER WHEN WE REALLY NEED TO BE LOOKING AT REALTIME TRENDS IN TERMS OF SUICIDE RATES. THE AUSTIN-TRAVIS COUNTY AREA IS THE -- HAS THE HIGHEST SUICIDE RATE OF ANY URBAN AREA IN TEXAS AND HAS CONSISTENTLY. SO IT'S A REALLY IMPORTANT ISSUE FOR US. WE HIRED A CONSULTANT -- HIRED A CONSULTANT WITH SUPPORT FROM AUSTIN-TRAVIS COUNTY MHMR AND THE NEW MILESTONES FOUNDATION TO DEVELOP A DATA PROCESSING SO THAT WE CAN GET REALTIME DATA ABOUT SUICIDES AND SUICIDE ATTEMPTS SO THAT WE CAN ADDRESS THESE KINDS OF TRENDS WHEN THEY

HAPPEN. AND LASTLY WE'RE LOOKING AT FUNDING FOR FINANCIAL MOLDING FOR SUPPORTIVE HOUSING. SO THAT'S A VERY BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE FULL REPORT. I REALLY ENCOURAGE YOU TO GO TO THE WEB SITE AND TAKE A LOOK AT IT. THERE'S A LOT OF INTERESTING INFORMATION. THE ONLY PIECE THAT WE WILL BE LOOKING AT IN THE COMING YEAR IS CONTINUED DATA DEVELOPMENT, REALLY LOOKING AT NOT ONLY WHAT WE CURRENTLY HAVE, BUT REALLY A SERVICE SYSTEM GAPS ANALYSIS, AND WE ARE WORKING WITH AUSTIN-TRAVIS COUNTY MHMR TOGETHER, THE MONITORING COMMITTEE AND AUSTIN MHMR, NOT JUST WHAT SHOULD WE HAVE. THE FIRST IS WHAT SHOULD WE HAVE AS PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITAL BEDS. THAT'S AN OBVIOUS QUESTION. BUT TO LOOK AT WHAT ARE THE OTHER SUPPORTS WE NEED AS WELL, WHAT ARE THE OUTPATIENT SERVICES WE NEED FOR A DEMOGRAPHIC OF OUR SIZE, THE HOUSING NEEDS. WE LOOK ACROSS THE SERVICE SYSTEM AND IDENTIFY GAPS SO THAT WE HAVE A BETTER WAY TO DIALOGUE WITH POLICY MAKERS ABOUT FUNDING ISSUES. I'D BE HAPPY TO TAKE ANY QUESTIONS.

MAYOR WYNN: THANK YOU, DR. STONE. QUESTIONS OF DR. STONE?

DUNKERLEY: I JUST REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR WORK AND I THINK YOU KNOW THAT WE ALSO HAVE THAT PSYCHIATRIC STAKEHOLDERS TASK FORCE THAT'S BEEN TRYING TO WORK ON SOME OF THE ISSUES THAT YOU'VE MENTIONED, AND HOPEFULLY OVER THE NEXT FEW MONTHS WE'LL BE REALLY MAKING SOME HEADWAY, ESPECIALLY ON OUR CITY'S CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS SUPPORTIVE HOUSING.

YES, MA'AM.

MAYOR WYNN: AND WE REFERENCE THE WEB SITE, BUT ALSO THERE'S THIS VERY PROFESSIONAL, FRANKLY VERY BRIEF THIRD ANNUAL REPORT FROM THE MONITORING COMMITTEE. IT'S VERY IMPRESSIVE. YOU PICK UP A LOT OF INFORMATION, FRANKLY DATA ISN'T GOOD. THAT'S WHY WE ARE MAKING THE EFFORT THAT WE'RE MAKING, BOTH AS A CITY, MHMR BOARD AND ALL OF OUR DIFFERENT PARTNERS, BUT THE LITTLE SUMMARY DOES REMIND US THAT ULTIMATELY WITH THE INSPIRATION OF THE HOGG FOUNDATION FOR MENTAL HEALTH BACK IN '04, I INSTIGATED THE TASK FORCE AND IT WAS IN RESPONSE TO WHAT WAS A TRAGIC OFFICER-INVOLVED SHOOTING, AND IT WAS CONTROVERSIAL AND IT WAS VERY EMOTIONAL AT THAT TIME. BUT FUNDAMENTALLY IT WAS A MENTAL HEALTH ISSUE. IT WASN'T A CRIMINAL JUSTICE ISSUE. AND WHEN THE HOGG FOUNDATION AND OTHER PROFESSIONALS STEPPED FORWARD AND HELPED ME UNDERSTAND THAT, AND THE COMMUNITY DID A GOOD JOB OF, YOU KNOW, FUNDAMENTALLY UNDERSTANDING THAT, WE HAD TO GO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT. AND SO THE TASK FORCE -- I COULDN'T TELL YOU HOW IMPRESSED I WAS WITH THE DOZENS -- YOU KNOW, 75, 100 PROFESSIONALS CAME FORWARD AND SERVED FOR MONTHS AND ULTIMATELY CRAFTED WHAT BECAME THE PLAN THAT BECAME -- THEN OUR PARTNERS AT MHMR BOARD ACCEPTED FROM THE MONITORING COMMITTEE COORDINATING STANDPOINT, THE CHALLENGE THAT WE HAVE. WE HAVE FRAGMENTED SERVICES WHEN WE HAVE SERVICES AT ALL. YOU KNOW, NOT

WELL-COORDINATED INTRA-JURISDICTIONAL CHALLENGES, AND I JUST APPLAUD DR. STONE AND THE ENTIRE TEAM FOR NOW STICKING WITH IT FOR INTO THIS FOURTH YEAR, AND I THINK WE'VE -- AS HE WE POINT OWD, WE'VE MADE SOME PROGRESS. WE CERTAINLY HAVE RAISED THE AWARENESS OF THE ISSUE AND HOPEFULLY THE ADVOCACY OF THE ROLE THAT THE SECTOR PLAYS. I APPLAUD EVERYBODY'S HARD WORK AND THE ROLE YOU'VE DONE.

THANK YOU.

MAYOR WYNN: THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH. WELL, COUNCIL, WE STILL HAVE A LITTLE WHILE BEFORE OUR NOON GENERAL CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS. MY INSTINCT IS THAT OUR FOLKS WITH THE STREET SMARTS TASK FORCE CAN PROBABLY GET THROUGH THEIR PRESENTATION IN 20 MINUTES OR SO AND THAT WOULD ONLY PUT US JUST A FEW MINUTES BEHIND STARTING OUR GENERAL CITIZEN COMMUNICATION. SO WITH THAT I'M GOING TO WELCOME SARA KRAUSE, WHO IS -- REMIND ME, SARA, I GUESS CHAIRED THE TASK FORCE TO GIVE US A PRESENTATION, AND AGAIN, WE HAVE A HARD COPY OF THAT HERE ON THE DAIS, BUT WELCOME, SARAH.

THANK YOU. DARLENE IS GOING TO GO AHEAD AND HAND OUT THE REPORTS TO YOU. WHILE I GO AHEAD AND GET STARTED HERE. DON'T FEAR THEM. THEY'RE HEAVILY A PENDICSIZED, SO NOT EVERYTHING IS A RECOMMENDATION. ALTHOUGH THERE ARE A FEW. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR HAVING ME AND THE TASK FORCE HERE TODAY. WE FEEL LIKE WE'VE BEEN THOROUGH AND RESPONSIBLE IN OUR RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WE'VE MADE TO COUNCIL. THIS PROCESS HAS BEEN A YEAR IN THE MAKING, A LITTLE MORE THAN THAT NOW, AND WE REALLY APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE ABLE TO GIVE YOU OUR INPUT ON THE FUTURE OF BICYCLING IN AUSTIN. SO I'M GOING TO RUN THROUGH MY REPORT HERE. THE THING ABOUT THE TASK FORCE THAT IS SO STRIKING IS THAT WE ARE A VERY DIVERSE GROUP OF PEOPLE. WE'RE ENGINEERS, WE'RE PLANNERS. YOU KNOW, WE'RE -- WE'RE PUBLIC HEALTH EXPERTS. WE HAD TXDOT INVOLVEMENT. WE'RE MOTHERS, WE'RE FATHERS, WE'RE BICYCLEISTS, AND WE WERE ALSO NON-BICYCLEISTS, WHICH I THINK IS A REALLY IMPORTANT ASPECT. MOST OF ALL WHAT WE REALLY ARE IS AUSTIN. WE ARE VERY MUCH -- WE VERY MUCH CARE ABOUT THE FUTURE OF AUSTIN AND WE CARE ABOUT PROTECTING AND ENHANCING THOSE THINGS THAT MAKE AUSTIN SUCH A WONDERFUL CITY TO LIVE IN. I WANTED TO THANK THE COUNCIL FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THIS. WE HAD A LOT OF REALLY GREAT STAFF INPUT, COUNCIL INPUT, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS HAS BEEN FANTASTIC. APD. I COULD NAME LOTS AND LOTS OF NAMES HERE, PEOPLE WHO REALLY ROLLED UP THEIR SLEEVES, SAT DOWN AT THE TABLE AND SAID, OKAY, LET'S MAKE THIS WORK. LET'S GIVE THE CITY A GOOD, SOLID FOUNDATION TO BUILD ON FOR BICYCLING IN AUSTIN. WE WERE TASKED WITH THESE STATED GOALS FROM A ALL RIGHT THAT INVITED US, THE TASK FORCE LAST YEAR. WE WERE -- LIKE I MENTIONED BEFORE, OUR COMPOSITION WAS VERY DIVERSE. WE HAD LOTS OF PEOPLE THAT WERE INVOLVED, AND I THINK ONE IMPORTANT BULLET THAT WE SHOULD HAVE PUT ON HERE IS THAT THAT WE WERE BICYCLIST AND WE WERE ALSO PEOPLE THAT DON'T REALLY BICYCLE

REGULARLY. SO GOOD INPUT. THE VISION STATEMENT IS SOMETHING THAT I REALLY LIKE TO STICK TO. WHEN I THINK ABOUT WHAT THIS TASK FORCE BELIEVES IS THE FUTURE OF AUSTIN, WE PUT IN WORLD-CLASS FOR A REASON. WE CAN BE WORLD-CLASS. WE ARE AUSTIN. WE HAVE THE CAPABILITY, WE HAVE THE PEOPLE, AND WE HAVE THE RIGHT MIND-SET. SO WE REALLY BELIEVE THAT WE WILL BE A WORLD-CLASS BICYCLING CITY. WE'VE BEEN AT THIS FOR A LONG TIME, FROM THE '70S, THROUGH THE '80S, '90S AND 2000 THAN AND NOW WE'RE GOING THROUGH ANOTHER BICYCLE PLAN UPDATE, AND THAT'S HAD AN IMPACT CLEARLY ON WHO'S RIDING A BIKE, NUMBER OF PEOPLE RIDING BIKES. WE'RE NOT QUITE TO OUR BICYCLE PLANNED GOAL, BUT WE BELIEVE WE CAN GET THERE. WE STILL HAVE SOME WORK TO DO. OUR PRIORITY ONE ROUTE FROM OUR EARLY PLANNING BACK IN THE '80S, WE'RE 35% COMPLETE. I THINK THAT WE CAN BE AGGRESSIVE AND SMART ABOUT HOW WE COMPLETE THESE ROUTES. AGAIN, HERE'S JUST SOME MORE DATA ON WHICH AREAS OF TOWN, WHERE THE ROUTES IS BEING COMPLETED, WHAT WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO ACCOMPLISH. AND AGAIN, HERE IS A DIFFERENT AREA OF TOWN WITH ESCARPMENT. THIS IS BACK HERE, THE SOUTH, SOUTHWEST AREA. THE VELLOWAY IS A HUGE PROJECT THAT WAS COMPLETED THAT I THINK HAS BEEN VERY IMPORTANT TO THAT AREA. WORK DATA, ONE OF THE STATED GOALS IS TO GET PEOPLE ON BIKES. WE WANT TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF CAR TRIPS. WE WANT TO PEOPLE TO CHOOSE TO RIDE A BIKE INSTEAD OF DRIVE THEIR CAR TO THE STORE, BUT WE HAVE TO GIVE THEM A WAY TO MAKE THAT HAPPEN. THE RAW NUMBERS HERE I THINK ARE VERY INTERESTING. IF YOU LOOK AT THE 2008 AND THE 2015 FIGURES, BOTH OF THOSE ARE PROJECTED BY THE CITY'S DEMOGRAPHER, SO, YOU KNOW, WE'D APPROXIMATE IN 2008 WITH OUR STATED GOAL OF 4%, THAT THAT WOULD BE ABOUT 15 AND A HALF THOUSAND PEOPLE RIDING BIKES PER DAY, WHICH I THINK IF YOU WERE TO ASK MY CAR DRIVER, WOULD YOU PREFER THAT WE PUT THOSE TRIPS BACK INTO TRAFFIC IN A CAR, THEY WOULD TELL YOU NO. SO WE'RE PROUD OF THIS IMPACT THAT WE CAN HAVE ON TRANSPORTATION IN AUSTIN. MINNESOTA -- THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA DID A STUDY ON THE IMPACT OF BUILDING BICYCLE FACILITIES IN AUSTIN -- WELL, AUSTIN WAS ONE OF THE TEST CITIES, AND THE FUNDAMENTAL QUESTION WAS, YOU KNOW, IF YOU BUILD IT, DO YOU ACTUALLY INCREASE YOUR MODE SPLIT? OUR PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT AGREED TO GIVE INFORMATION FOR AUSTIN TO BE A TEST CITY, AND THEY FOUND THAT THERE WAS A GREATER INCREASE IN MODE SHARE NEAR BICYCLE FACILITIES. SO IT WASN'T NECESSARILY THAT PEOPLE WERE CHOOSING TO USE THAT ROUTE, BUT WHAT THEY WERE ABLE TO DEMONSTRATE WAS PEOPLE ACTUALLY CHOSE TO RIDE A BIKE INSTEAD OF DRIVE A CAR, WHICH I THINK IS THE IMPORTANT POINT. THERE ARE A LOT OF REASONS TO PROMOTE BICYCLE USE. A LOT OF THEM ARE THINGS THAT ARE, YOU KNOW, EASY TO UNDERSTAND, HEALTH AND WELLNESS, ECONOMIC IMPACT. WE FEEL THAT THIS IS AN AREA THAT IS A LITTLE UNDER EXPLORED WITH RESPECT TO UNDERSTANDING HOW BICYCLES FUNCTION IN YOUR URBAN ENVIRONMENT, BUT IT'S THERE AND IT'S AN IMPORTANT POINT. QUALITY OF LIFE. I TALKED A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THIS IN THE BEGINNING. YOU KNOW, BEING ABLE TO RIDE A BIKE TO WORK, BEING ABLE TO RIDE A BIKE FOR RECREATION IN AUSTIN IS VERY IMPORTANT, AND THE SYNERGY IT OFFERS WITH OTHER ORGANIZATION. I THINK WHAT WOULD BE REALLY

COOL IS IF YOU COULD GET ON YOUR BIKE IN GEORGETOWN AND RIDE DOWN TO SAN MARCOS. AND THAT COULD HAPPEN IN THIS REGION, AND THINK ABOUT THE COUNTY LINES THAT YOU CROSS AND THE GOVERNMENTS THAT YOU CROSS WHEN YOU DO THAT. SUBCOMMITTEES, I HAD -- I HAD THE HONOR OF CHAIRING THIS REALLY GREAT GROUP OF PEOPLE. I COULD NOT HAVE DONE IT WITHOUT THE SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIRS, AND I THANK THEM TREMENDOUSLY FOR THEIR INPUT. ALL THREE OF THESE PEOPLE ALREADY WALKED INTO EACH OF THEIR SUBCOMMITTEES WITH A HUGE AMOUNT OF KNOWLEDGE AND INFORMATION THAT THEY COULD IMPART AND HELP GUIDE THOSE SUBCOMMITTEES TO THE REALLY SOLID RECOMMENDATIONS THAT THEY WERE ABLE TO PRODUCE. SO I THANK LANE AND PRESTON AND ANDREW. THEY WERE WONDERFUL. WE BROKE OUT EARLY IN THE TASK FORCE DAYS, WE BROKE IT OUT INTO THE THREE SUBCOMMITTEES WE FELT LIKE COVERED THE BREADTH OF WHAT WE NEEDED TO EXPLORE, AND WE PULLED OUT THESE GLOBAL RECOMMENDATIONS. WHEN I TALK ABOUT THE SUBCOMMITTEES AND THE WAY THEY OPERATED, THEY -- THE IMPORTANT PART IS THAT WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT INFRASTRUCTURE AND FACILITIES, IT'S SORT OF THE BONES OF THE NETWORK, WHERE WE BEGIN TO PUT DOWN, YOU KNOW, PHYSICAL THINGS THAT ALLOW PEOPLE TO RIDE BIKES. BUT IT'S MORE THAN JUST ABOUT PAINT. THERE ARE A LOT OF THINGS THAT YOU CAN DO INFRASTRUCTURE-WISE THAT YOU CAN SOLVE LARGER GAPS WITH. SO WE HAVE SOME NEW THINGS THAT ARE BEING EMPLOYED IN EUROPE, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT WE'VE PUT IN HERE, SOME THINGS THAT ARE EMPLOYED IN JUST A FEW CITIES IN THE UNITED STATES THAT WE'VE RECOMMENDED THE CITY HAVE A LOOK AT. BUT THERE ARE A LOT OF REALLY GREAT WAYS TO SOLVE BASIC PROBLEMS. WHEN WE GET TO EDUCATION AND PROMOTION, TO ME THIS IS THE SECOND LAYER IN THE BIKE NETWORK. PEOPLE NEED TO BE ENCOURAGED TO RIDE. THEY NEED TO BE TOLD HOW TO RIDE SAFELY. DRIVERS NEED TO BE TOLD HOW TO INTERACT WITH CARS. IN LARGE PART WHAT YOU'LL FIND IS THAT SOME CAR BIKE ACCIDENTS OR CRASHES OCCUR BECAUSE SOMEBODY DIDN'T KNOW QUITE WHAT TO DO WHEN THEY HIT AN INTERSECTION, AND SO IT'S NOT NECESSARILY THAT ANYBODY WAS AGGRESSIVE OR IN THE WRONG, THEY JUST WEREN'T QUITE SURE HOW TO HANDLE IT. THE CITY CAN PLAY A REALLY BIG ROLE IN HELPING PEOPLE TO UNDERSTAND, THIS IS HOW YOU NAVIGATE THIS INTERSECTION. THIS IS HOW YOU PASS A BICYCLE SAFELY. AND SO THESE -- AND THEN GETTING PEOPLE OUT THERE, GETTING THEM FEELING LIKE THEY WANT TO GIVE IT A SHOT IS A REALLY IMPORTANT ASPECT OF THIS AS WELL. AND THEN FINALLY, WE HAD SAFE BEHAVIOR IN LAW ENFORCEMENT. I CAN'T MOVERMOVE AWAY FROM THIS SUBCOMMITTEE WITHOUT THANKING APD. THEIR INPUT WAS PHENOMENAL. WE HAD AT LEAST THREE OR FOUR PEOPLE FROM APD AT EACH ONE OF THESE MEETINGS, AND THEY WERE SO HELPFUL IN DESCRIBING TO US HOW WE CAN HELP THEM EVALUATE THE BICYCLE NETWORK, AND A LARGE PART, WHAT CAME OUT OF SAFE BEHAVIOR IN LAW ENFORCEMENT IS HOW DO YOU EVALUATE HOW YOUR BICYCLE NETWORK IS WORKING. SO YES, YOU KNOW, YOU CAN LOOK AT CITATIONS, YOU CAN LOOK AT, YOU KNOW, HOW MANY CRASHES ARE THERE, BUT IF YOU PUT IT ON A MAP, IT'S A SHOTGUN PATTERN RIGHT NOW. WHAT THEY WOULD LIKE IS DIFFERENT KINDS OF DATA REPORTING THAT WILL ALLOW THEM TO ANALYZE, OKAY, WE'VE GOT A HOT SPOT RIGHT

HERE. WHAT CAN WE DO TO HELP ALLEVIATE SOME OF THE PROBLEMS THAT WE'RE HAVING AND MAKE THIS THING FUNCTION SMOOTHLY? AND THIS IS A REALLY -- OF COURSE, THE LAST PIECE OF A BICYCLE NETWORK, OR THE FINAL PIECE, RATHER. ONE OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT ALL THREE SUBCOMMITTEES SENT FORTH WAS, THIS IS A HUGE JOB. THIS WAS A HUGE JOB. IT TOOK US A LONG TIME. WE WOULD LIKE TO BE REPLICATED. WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A BOARD OR COMMISSION ESTABLISHED THAT SPECIFICALLY FOCUSES ON THE CITY'S BICYCLE PLAN. WE ALSO THINK THAT BECAUSE SOME OF THE ISSUES ARE SIMILAR, THAT THIS BOARD SHOULD ACTUALLY BE A BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN BOARD. SO THIS WAS SOMETHING THAT THE TASK FORCE FELT VERY STRONGLY ABOUT MOVING FORWARD, AND EVEN THIS MORNING WERE ASKING ME TO REMIND YOU THAT THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT TO US. INFRASTRUCTURE AND FACILITIES HAD THESE TOPICS. I WON'T READ THEM AND GO THROUGH THEM, YOU KNOW, PIECE BY PIECE, BUT THIS IS SORT OF HOW WE BROKE IT OUT. EACH ONE OF THESE IS A CHAPTER, IF YOU WILL, UNDER INFRASTRUCTURE AND FACILITIES. SO IT SHOULD BE EASY TO LOOK THROUGH THERE AND UNDERSTAND, YOU KNOW, HOW WE -- WHAT THE PROCESS INVOLVED WAS. AND THEN EDUCATION AND PROMOTION LARGELY CENTERED AROUND ACTIVITIES THAT THE CITY COULD UNDERTAKE INCLUDING HIRING FTE'S TO PROMOTE AND ASSIST THE BIKE PROGRAM WITH MARKETING SOME OF THOSE SERVICES -- OR MARKETING SOME OF THE BICYCLE FACILITIES WE'VE GOT IN DOWN AND WAYS TO GET AROUND TOWN. AND AGAIN, HERE ARE JUST SOME MORE THINGS THAT THE EDUCATION AND PROMOTION SUBCOMMITTEE CAME FORTH WITH. AND THEN, OF COURSE, AGAIN, NO. 5 HERE IS VERY IMPORTANT, TO EVALUATE THE SUCCESS OF THESE ACTIVITIES. THAT WAS ALWAYS VERY IMPORTANT TO US, IS THAT WE HAVE A WAY TO ANALYZE AND UNDERSTAND WHAT'S WORKING SO THAT WE CAN TAKE THOSE THINGS, ENHANCE THEM, AND TAKE THE THINGS THAT MAYBE AREN'T BEING AS EFFECTIVE, MODIFY THEM AND GO FORWARD THAT WAY. LAW ENFORCEMENT AND SAFE BEHAVIOR AGAIN HAD GREAT PARTICIPATION, WITH SOME VERY KNOWLEDGEABLE PEOPLE, SO WE LOOKED AT BIKE-CAR INTERACTION, PUBLIC AWARENESS AND EDUCATION, PROCEDURES OF ENFORCEMENT AND OF COURSE NO. 4, THAT CRITICAL REPORTING COLLISIONS AND VIOLATIONS THAT HELP US UNDERSTAND HOW THAT NETWORK OPERATES. WITH THAT I'LL CONCLUDE MY PRESENTATION AND ASK THE COUNCIL IF THEY HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OF THE TASK FORCE.

MAYOR WYNN: THANK YOU, SARAH, FOR THE PRESENTATION, AND FOR YOUR SERVICE, NOW, FOR 13 MONTHS AND LONGER, REALLY. QUESTIONS FOR SARAH? COMMENTS? I TRUST, WE'VE FIGURED OUT, DARLENE, THIS IS GOING TO BE ON OUR WEB SITE ALREADY? AND SO FOLKS CAN SEE THE RECOMMENDATIONS AND ULTIMATELY GET SOME FEEDBACK TO COUNCIL ABOUT IT?

GREAT.

MAYOR WYNN: QUESTIONS FOR SARAH? THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SARAH, FOR YOUR PATIENCE.

WE APPRECIATE IT. WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH ALL OF YOU IN THE FUTURE.

MAYOR WYNN: LIKEWISE. THANK YOU. WELL, SO COUNCIL, THAT TAKES US JUST A FEW MINUTES LATE TO OUR NOON CITIZEN COMMUNICATION. I'M TOLD WE HAVE A FULL SCHEDULE OF TEN FOLKS WHO WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS US. SO WITHOUT OBJECTION OR FURTHER ADO, WE'LL TAKE UP THAT TESTIMONY. OUR FIRST SPEAK IS LESLIE McCULLOCK -- McCULLOCK, SORRY IF I MISPRONOUNCED THAT, LESLIE. WELCOME. YOU'LL HAVE THREE MINUTES TO BE FOLLOWED BY GAVINO FERNANDEZ.

MAYOR WYNN: WELCOME.

GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR WYNN AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS. MY NAME IS LESLIE McCULLOCK AND I AM HERE TODAY AS THE DISTRICT COORDINATOR FOR THE CAMPAIGN TO CREATE A U.S. DEPARTMENT OF PEACE AND NON-VIOLENCE. OUR CAMPAIGN IS WORKING TOWARDS THE PASSING OF HOUSE BILL 808 THAT CALLS FOR A CABINET-LEVEL DEPARTMENT. THIS IDEA HAS A VERY LONG HISTORY. IT IS CURRENTLY SPONSORED BY DENNIS KUCINICH AND HAS 75 REPRESENTATIVES WHO HAVE ENDORSED THIS LEGISLATION AND OUR OWN WILLIE NELSON WORKS ON THIS CAMPAIGN. AND PART OF THE CAMPAIGN IS SECURING CITY ENDORSEMENTS OF THIS LEGISLATION, WHEREBY YOU PASS A RESOLUTION. CURRENTLY THERE ARE OVER 35 CITIES THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES, INCLUDING LOS ANGELES, BERKELEY, ATLANTA, DETROIT, CLEVELAND, OAKLAND, PORTLAND, METROPOLITAN, SAN JOSE, AND RECENTLY PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND AND NEW YORK CITY THAT HAVE ALL PASSED AN ENDORSEMENT OF THIS RESOLUTION. YOU MAY HAVE SEEN RECENTLY THERE WAS A STORY ON FOX NEWS ABOUT OUR WALK FOR PEACE WE HAD HERE IN AUSTIN AND ENDED AT CITY HALL, WHERE CITY COMMUNITY MEMBERS CALLED FOR YOUR ENDORSEMENT OF THIS LEGISLATION, AND AS A LONG-TIME RESIDENT I HAVE LIVED HERE IN AUSTIN FOR THE PAST 33 YEARS, AND I WANT TO PUT OUR CITY ON THIS LIST. OUR CITY HAS OFTEN TAKEN THE ADVANCE OF PROGRESSIVE THINKING AND LIVING, AND NOW MORE THAN EVER I THINK THAT WE ARE ALL AWARE THAT WE NEED TO PROMOTE A GREATER CULTURE OF PEACE. MAYOR WYNN, YOU RECENTLY PROCLAIMED SEPTEMBER 21, 2006 AS THE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE, AND WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE YOU DECLARE A DEPARTMENT OF PEACE DAY, LIKE WAS RECENTLY DONE IN PHOENIX, ARIZONA. MY WORK HERE WITH THE CAMPAIGN IS MOTIVATED LARGELY BY -- MOTIVATED LARGELY BY MY DESIRE TO PROMOTE PEACE INTERNATIONALLY BUT THE DEPARTMENT OF PEACE WOULD ALSO ADDRESS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, WHICH IS SADLY ON THE RISE. IT SEEMS EVERYWHERE, EVEN HERE IN AUSTIN. WE NEED A GOVERNING BODY THAT CAN PROVIDE THE INSTITUTIONAL HELP TO DEVELOP AND REPLICATE THE PROGRAMS THAT TARGET ALL MANIFESTATIONS OF VIOLENCE IN OUR SOCIETY, AND AS A SCHOOLTEACHER, OF WHICH I WAS JUST VOTED WEST LAKE HIGH SCHOOL TEACHER OF THE YEAR, I AM PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN THE ISSUE OF SCHOOL VIOLENCE, AND I AM ENCOURAGED BY THE PARTS OF HOUSE BILL 808 THAT REALLY ADDRESSES THIS ISSUE AND LOOKS AT PROGRAMS THAT SPECIFICALLY TARGET HOW DO WE REDUCE SCHOOL VIOLENCE. I KNOW THAT EVEN IN WEST LAKE, DOESN'T SEEM TO BE A HOT SPOT OF VIOLENCE, THE LEVEL OF

CONCERN, THE NUMBER OF SECURITY AGENTS THAT WE'VE HIRED THIS YEAR, HOW MUCH TIME WE HAVE TO SPEND ON THIS ISSUE IS ENORMOUS. SO YOU'RE GOING TO HEAR ALSO FROM DAVID JENKINS, WHO IS OUR STATE COORDINATOR, TODAY ABOUT THIS, AND WE WILL BE CONTACTING YOU WITH COPIES OF THE RESOLUTION ASKING FOR YOUR ENDOORSMENT. THANK YOU.

MAYOR WYNN: THANK YOU, LESLIE. COUNCIL, I APOLOGIZE, AND FOLKS HERE, BOTH HERE FOR CITIZEN COMMUNICATION AND OUR PREVIOUS ITEM, I WAS THINKING THAT THE STREET SMART ITEM WAS A BRIEFING. IN FACT, TECHNICALLY IT'S AN ITEM FROM COUNCIL, IT'S AN ACTION ITEM, ITEM NO. 63. THERE WERE A COUPLE OF OTHER FOLKS IN ADDITION TO SARAH'S PRESENTATION THAT WANTED TO GIVE US SOME TESTIMONY. SO WITHOUT OBJECTION I WOULD LIKE TO GO BACK WHILE WE STILL HAVE SOME OF THOSE FOLKS HERE, AND THEN TAKE ACTION ON ITEM NO. 63. SO THE FIRST PERSON WHO HAD SIGNED UP TO GIVE US ADDITIONAL TESTIMONY ON ITEM NO. 63 IS TOMMY EDEN. I SAW TOMMY EARLIER. I DON'T SEE HIM. WE'LL SAVE HIS SPOT. KIM VASSOW. SORRY IF I MISPRONOUNCE THAT, KIM, SIGNED UP ALSO TO GIVE US TESTIMONY, ALSO IN FAVOR AS WAS TOMMY. JENNIFER GALE GAVE US TESTIMONY EARLIER IN OPPOSITION. SHE HAD SIGNED UP, NOTE THAT FOR THE RECORD, AND THEN SCOTT JOHNSON WAS HERE. SCOTT, I APOLOGIZE. WELCOME. YOU'LL HAVE THREE MINUTES AND THEN FOR THE RECORD ERIC ANDERSON, PETER WALL, THOMAS FAK LER AND NATE THAN WILKES SIGNED UP NOT WISHING TO SPEAK.

GOOD MORNING, MAYOR, MAYOR PRO TEM, COUNCIL MEMBERS, MR. GOOD, CITY STAFF. I'M SCOTT JOHNSON. I WAS A PARTICIPANT IN THE STREET SMART TASK FORCE. I WOULD LIKE TO COMMEND THE CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS AND THE MAYOR'S AIDE WHO PARTICIPATED VERY REGULARLY AND IMPORTANTLY IN THIS PROCESS. IT REALLY IS THE BEST EXAMPLE OF CONNECTING TO A TASK FORCE THAT I'VE EVER BEEN INVOLVED WITH. I WOULD SAY THAT I WAS ONE OF THE PEOPLE THAT TAPPED ON SARAH'S SHOULDER TO SAY THAT A COMMISSION OR A COMMISSION-LEVEL TYPE OF GROUP THAT COULD AT LEAST HAVE STAYING POWER FOR THE FIRST TWO OR THREE OR FIVE YEARS WHILE THESE RECOMMENDATIONS ARE BEING IMPLEMENTED BY THE CITY WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL. I REALIZE YOUR RETICENCE IN GROWING THE BOARD AND COMMISSION SYSTEM BEYOND WHERE IT IS NOW, AND I HAVE PARTICIPATED IN THAT SYSTEM, BUT THAT TO ME IS VERY IMPORTANT. WHEN I LOOK TO TRY TO WORK WITH GROUPS OR WORK WITH THE CITY TO BRING ABOUT CHANGE, I'M ALMOST ALWAYS TOLD, WELL, WE NEED TO DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND THEN WE NEED TO IMPLEMENT THAT PLAN AT THAT TIME RATHER THAN TAKING A FEW PIECES THAT MAY BE IMPORTANT TO IMPLEMENT IN THE SHORT-TERM, EVEN BEFORE THE RECOMMENDATIONS HAVE GONE TO COUNCIL AND WORK THOSE THROUGH THE SYSTEM, PARTICULARLY IF THEY INVOLVE SAFETY AND HEALTH -- PUBLIC SAFETY AND HEALTH. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO SAY THAT A WEEK FROM FRIDAY WE HAVE AN ANNUAL EVENT THAT THAT'S GOING TO BE IN THE CITY PLAZA, CALLED THE POLITICAL PEDAL. WE'D INVITE YOU TO COME AND PARTICIPATE IN THAT EVENT. WE WILL PROVIDE A BIKE AND HELMET FOR YOU. IF YOU CAN ATTEND THAT, WE WILL HAVE A HAPPY HOUR AT THE RIO GRANDE HAPPY HOUR. THE RIDE WILL MEET AT 4:45 IN THE CITY PLAZA.

THANK YOU.

THANK YOU. THE MAYOR HAS A BIKE AND WEARS HIS HELMET, FOR THE RECORD. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. LET'S SEE, SO ANY ADDITIONAL SPEAKERS ON THIS ITEM NO. 63 OR ITEM THAT RELATES TO THE STREET SMARTS TASK FORCE REPORT. THANK YOU, COUNCIL MEMBER COLE?

COLE: I JUST HAVE A COMMENT. I THINK THAT OUR TRAIL SYSTEM AND OUR BIKING SYSTEM ARE INTERTWINED, AND WE BROUGHT ITEM 63 AND ITEM 64 TOGETHER TODAY FOR A REASON, IS BECAUSE WE RECOGNIZE THAT AUSTIN IS LANCE ARMSTRONG'S HOME, AND THE HARD WORK THAT THE STREET SMARTS TASK FORCE HAS DONE, AND THEIR DESIRE TO HAVE A COMMISSION TO ACTUALLY IMPLEMENT THESE DIRECTIVES. AND IF WE AREN'T ABLE TO DO ANYTHING ELSE, WE'RE GOING TO READ THIS AND TRY AS BEST WE CAN TO IMPLEMENT THESE RECOMMENDATIONS. YOUR HARD WORK DOES NOT GO UNNOTICED, AND I'M STILL ALWAYS AMAZED AT THE WORK THAT WE RECEIVE FROM OUR CITIZENS AND THE DEDICATION TO HELPING MAKE AUSTIN BETTER.

MAYOR WYNN: WELL PUT. THANK YOU. FURTHER COMMENTS? WELL, ACTUALLY I GUESS I WOULD ENTERTAIN A MOTION ON ITEM NO. 63.

COLE: I MOVE THAT WE APPROVE ITEM 63.

MAYOR WYNN: MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER COLE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER MCCracken TO APPROVE ITEM NO. 63, THE RESOLUTION AS POSTED. FURTHER COMMENTS? COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ?

MARTINEZ: THANKS, MAYOR. I WANT TO MAKE A BRIEF COMMENT THAT I REALLY AM GLAD WE'RE DOING THIS TODAY. I THINK IT SPEAKS TO MANY OF OUR VALUES AS A COMMUNITY, OUR CLIMATE PROTECTION PLAN AS IT RELATES TO CARBON SEE QUESTIONS. WE DID SOMETHING BY ASKING STAFF TO GIVE US A REPORT WITHIN 90 DAYS OF ALL OF THE EASEMENT AND RIGHT-OF-WAY THAT COULD CREATE SOME CONNECTIVITY BETWEEN NEIGHBORHOODS AND DIFFERENT AREAS OF OUR COMMUNITY, AND SO I'M HOPEFUL THAT COUPLED WITH ITEM 63 AND 64 TODAY, THAT'S REALLY GOING TO SET THE FRAMEWORK FOR REALLY BEING ABLE TO ACCOMPLISH THIS, BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, QUITE FRANKLY, MANY FOLKS WANT TO SEE MORE GREEN SPACE, TRAILS AND PARKS IN THEIR COMMUNITY, AND I BELIEVE THAT WE DO HAVE A LOT OF EASEMENTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY THAT CAN BE TURNED INTO SOME TRAIL CONNECTIVITY BETWEEN OUR NEIGHBORHOODS AND ACROSS OUR COMMUNITY. BUT, YOU KNOW, AS WE LOOK AT CREATING A HEALTHY ECO SYSTEM IN TERMS OF THESE GREENWAYS, I REALLY THINK THAT WE SHOULD LOOK AT GOVERNMENT AS AN ECO SYSTEM, AND WHAT I MEAN BY THAT IS IF WE DON'T ALREADY HAVE IT IN PLACE, WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO IS SEE US CREATE A PROGRAM WHEREINER DEPARTMENTALLY WE ARE ALWAYS MINDFUL OF THE OPPORTUNITY THAT EXISTS FOR CREATING TRAIL SPACE AND FOR COORDINATING THAT. AND THE DEPARTMENTS I'M THINKING ABOUT ARE PARKS,

OBVIOUSLY, WATER UTILITY, EASEMENTS, AUSTIN ENERGY, EASEMENTS. WE NEED THAT COLLABORATIVE PROCESS AMONG AND ACROSS THE DEPARTMENT SO THAT WHEN THESE OPPORTUNITIES ARISE IT IS A STATED VALUE AND WE MOVE FORWARD WITH TRYING TO CREATE THAT TRAIL OR THAT OPEN SPACE OR THAT GREEN SPACE, AS A FOREGONE CONCLUSION MOVING FORWARD. SO EITHER VIA A COUNCIL ITEM IN THE FUTURE OR EVEN IF STAFF WOULD JUST LIKE TO WORK ON THIS AND EXPLAIN TO US WHAT WE HAVE IN PLACE AND HOW WE CAN IMPROVE ON THAT, THAT WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

MAYOR WYNN: GREAT. THANK YOU. AGAIN, FURTHER COMMENTS? WE HAVE A MOTION AND SECOND ON THE TABLE. COUNCIL MEMBER COLE?

COLE: MAYOR, I'D LIKE TO MAKE ONE CLOSING COMMENT. WALTER LONG, WHOSE THE LAKE IS NAMED AFTER, HIS DAUGHTER, JANET PASSED AWAY AND SHE WAS THE CREATOR AND FOUNDER OF SHOAL CREEK TRAIL. SO THERE ARE MANY TRAILBLAZERS WHO HAVE COME BEFORE US THROUGHOUT HISTORY THAT WE NEED TO RECOGNIZE AS A TIME LIKE THIS.

MAYOR WYNN: I AGREE. THANK YOU FOR REMINDS US. MOTION AND SECOND ON THE TABLE. ALL IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

MAYOR WYNN: AYE. OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF 5-0 WITH COUNCIL MEMBERS KIM AND LEFFINGWELL OFF THE DAIS. THAWL ALL VERY MUCH AND I -- THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH AND I APOLOGIZE FOR EARLIER. [APPLAUSE]

MAYOR WYNN: COUNCIL, THAT TAKES US BACK TO OUR GENERAL CITIZEN COMMUNICATION. OUR NEXT SPEAKER, THE SECOND SPEAKER ORIGINALLY SIGNED UP IS GAVINO FERNANDEZ, WHO I SAW IN THE ROOM EARLIER. WELCOME, GAVINO. YOU'LL HAVE THREE MINUTES, TO BE FOLLOWED BY FRANCES MARTINEZ.

GOOD AFTERNOON, COUNCIL. MY NAME IS GAVINO FERNANDEZ AND I'M COORDINATE ARE THE COALITION OF MEXICAN NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, AND I WANT TO SPEAK ON TWO SUBJECTS BEFORE THE ONE I SIGNED UP FOR. ONE IS AN UPCOMING EVENT THAT FOUR GROUPS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD GOT TOGETHER TO PUT TOGETHER AND PROMOTE OUR LATINO AND ETHNIC HISTORY, WHICH IN CENTRAL AND EAST AUSTIN, BECAUSE OF GENTRIFICATION IS GRADUALLY BEING PHASED OUT. IT IS A FREE EVENT, AND ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE ARE WANTING TO ILLUSTRATE TO THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY IS THAT YOU CAN HAVE FUN, ENJOY MUSIC AND OUR CULTURE WITHOUT ALCOHOL. IT'S AN ALCOHOL-FREE EVENT, AND IT'S FREE. SO RIGHT NOW WE HAVE FOUR SPONSORS. A LULAC 4861, THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, AUSTIN ENERGY, WHICH WE REQUESTED ASSISTANCE, AND CRISTO REY. AND AGAIN, THIS IS A FREE EVENT FOR THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY. THOSE OF US WHO LIVE IN THE COMMUNITY, WE WERE PRICED OUT BECAUSE A HUGE AMOUNT INCREASE IN FIESTA GARDENS, SO WE DECIDED TO COME TOGETHER AND HOPEFULLY

CONTINUE THE TRADITION OF EDUCATING OUR COMMUNITY AND KIDS OF THE RICH CULTURE THAT WE HAVE SO WE HAVE A GREAT LINE UP OF TEJANO MUSIC AND BALLET GROUPS THAT WILL BE PERFORMING THAT WEEKEND. AND ANOTHER TOPIC, SPEAKING ABOUT BALLET, I UNDERSTAND THAT BALLET EAST'S TRADITIONAL WEEKEND AT DOUGHERTY ARTS CENTER HAS BEEN BUMPED THIS YEAR TO ANOTHER DATE, AND WE'RE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THAT. IT'S BEEN A CALENDAR EVENT FOR THE LAST 13 YEARS. IT'S AN EVENT THAT MANY OF OUR CHILDREN IN THE COMMUNITY PARTICIPATE, AND AS MANY OF YOU KNOW, BALLET IS A FAR CRY, A PROGRAM THAT PEOPLE, ESPECIALLY IN EAST AUSTIN -- IT'S AN UNTRADITIONAL PROGRAM, BUT IT'S A PROGRAM THAT WE EMBRACED, AND SO I WAS THERE AT METZ WHEN I WAS AN EMPLOYEE. BALI, BAL BALLET, ALL THE KIDS SAID BALLET? BUT IT'S A RICH ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM TO OUR COMMUNITY AND IT IS OUR HOPE THAT PARK STAFF AND THE BALLET EAST WILL COME TO AN AGREEMENT ON THE PARTICULAR DATE, BUT THAT IS A CONCERN TO US BECAUSE THE DATE THAT'S BEING PROPOSED, MANY OF THE CHILDREN ARE GONE FOR THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS. ON SINGLE MEMBER DISTRICTS, THE BOTTOM LINE IS ACCOUNTABILITY AND FINANCES. IT'S A \$2 BILLION BUDGET. MY EXPERIENCE IN WORKING WITH -- AN EX-FRIEND, HE GAVE ME THAT INSIGHT LOOK OF THAT REALITY, AND IT IS SOMETHING THAT I HAVE ALWAYS STRUGGLED WITH IN TRYING TO EDUCATE OUR COMMUNITY, THE DYNAMICS AND THE REALITY OF HAVING SINGLE MEMBER DISTRICTS, BECAUSE IT IS DEBATE ON HOW \$2 BILLION ARE GOING TO BE SPENT. SO I STRONGLY URGE THIS COMMUNITY TO, IN A FUTURE DATE, BRING SINGLE MEMBER DISTRICTS TO AUSTIN SO THAT WE WILL HAVE ACCOUNTABILITY AND FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY TO THE ENTIRE CITY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR OPPORTUNITY FOR ME TO BE HERE WITH YOU.

MAYOR PRO TEM, I WANT TO ASK MR. FERNANDEZ A QUESTION. MR. FERNANDEZ, ON YOUR REQUEST FROM AUSTIN ENERGY, WAS THAT THROUGH THE HOLLY GOOD NEIGHBOR PROGRAM?

THAT IS CORRECT.

I'LL FOLLOW UP AND MAKE SURE THAT THAT GETS PROCESSED.

THANK YOU.

SO THAT WE CAN SUPPORT THAT, AS WELL WITH THE BALI EAST. I THINK RUDY MENDEZ HAS DONE AN INCREDIBLE JOB WITH BALI EAST, AND THE CITY HAS ALWAYS SUPPORTED HIM AND THE GOOD NEIGHBOR PROGRAM SUPPORTS --

THAT'S CORRECT.

-- WHAT HE DOES, SO WE'LL FOLLOW UP WITH THAT AND MAKE SURE THAT, YOU KNOW, WE DON'T LOSE THEIR PLACE AT DOUGHERTY ARTS.

THANK YOU, SIR. AND I APPRECIATE THAT.

DUNKERLEY: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. FRANCES MARTINEZ?

GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS FRANCES MARTINEZ. GOOD AFTERNOON, CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS, AND I'M ALSO FORMER PLANNING COMMISSIONER AND ALSO PART OF CONCILIA. AND I'M HERE TOOLED AGAIN TO EXPRESS TO YOU THAT OUR COMMUNITY AND NEIGHBORS ARE VERY CONCERNED WITH 300 EDDIE STREETS -- THE HORSES ARE STILL THERE. THEY BATHE THE HORSES ON THE STREET AND ALL THAT DEBRIS AND ALL GOES IN THE SEWER. SO WE'RE VERY CONCERNED WITH THAT. RIGHT NOW THAT IS BECOMING WARMER -- ISSUED I SHOULD SAY VERY HOT, THE WEATHER, AND THE SMELL IS TERRIBLE, IF YOU CAN - - SOMEONE CAN GET IN TOUCH WITH ME. I'VE BEEN HERE A LOT OF TIME, SO IF YOU CAN -- IF YOU CAN GET SOMEONE TO CALL ME, THAT AGAIN IS ON 300 EDIX STREET. THE INTERSECTION IS EAST 4TH STREET, SO IF SOMEONE COULD CALL ME. YOU-ALL HAVE MY NAWM, 474-5359. AND ALSO WE ARE CONCERNED WITH POM PARTS, THAT STILL THE RESTROOMS ARE IN CREDIT. WE DID MEET WITH MR. PHILLIPS LAST YEAR AND THEY SAID THEY WOULD DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT. RIGHT NOW THEY HAVE -- THEY HAVE TORE DOWN THE CONCRETE WHERE THEY PLAYED BASKETBALL BASKETBALL, SO WE'RE VERY CONCERNED WITH THAT. I UNDERSTAND THEY'RE GOING TO PUT MORE GRASS, BUT STILL, THE BATHROOMS ARE NOT OPEN AND I UNDERSTAND THAT BECAUSE WE DON'T WANT THE UNDESIRABLES TO GO IN THERE, BUT WE HAD BOYS SAID LAST YEAR THAT IF WE COULD HAVE THE BATHROOMS ENCLOSED WHERE THE POOL IS, THEN THAT WAY THE GUARDS WOULD HAVE MORE CONTROL OVER IT. SO WE'RE VERY CONCERNED WITH THAT. AND ALSO WITH THE BICYCLES. THE BIKES -- THEY DO NOT STOP. I WISH THEY WOULD BE MORE FRIENDLY AROUND THAT NEIGHBORHOOD AND ELSEWHERE AS WELL, ALL OVER THE CITY. STOP ON THE TRAFFIC LIGHTS OR THE STOP SIGNS, AND WITH THAT WE'RE VERY CONCERNED BECAUSE WE HAVE A LOT OF ELDERLY -- SENIOR CITIZENS, LIKE ME, THAT DRIVE BY THERE AND THEY JUST FLY IN FRONT OF US. SO WE'RE VERY CONCERNED WITH THAT. AND SO IF WE CAN GET SOME ASSISTANCE WITH THAT. ALSO, I WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOU-ALL TO OUR ANNUAL CRISTO REY CATHOLIC CHURCH. IT'S FREE FOR EVERYONE, IT'S JUNE 7TH AND 8TH. SO SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, WE'LL BE THERE FROM 12 NOON TILL 10:00 AT NIGHT -- I MEAN, ON SATURDAY FROM 12 NOON TILL 12 MIDNIGHT AND THEN ON SUNDAY FROM 12:00 TO 10:00. SO WE'LL BE HAVING A LOT OF GAMES, MUSIC AND FUN FOR EVERYONE. AND I KNOW I HAVE ALREADY CONTACTED THE AUSTIN ENERGY ON THE -- ON COMAL PARK TO HAVE THE LIGHTS ON, SO WE'RE HOPING THAT WE CAN HAVE THE LIGHTS BACK ON ON COMAL PARK. THANK YOU.

DUNKERLEY: THANK YOU. DID YOU GET THOSE VOTES? OKAY. GREAT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. CAROLANNEROSE KENNEDY?

THANK YOU ALL FOR HAVING ME. I'M ACTUALLY VERY ILL TODAY AND THE ONLY REASON I'M HERE IS BECAUSE I'M NOT CONTAGIOUS, BUT I'D APPRECIATE IT IF I COULD BEG YOU FOR 30

MORE SECONDS OF TIME. THREE MINUTES AND 30 SECONDS?

DUNKERLEY: WELL, LET'S DO OUR THREE MINUTES FIRST.

YES, MA'AM, THANK YOU. MENTAL HEALTH, HOME ON DERANGED. [(music) SINGING (music)]
OH, GIVE ME A HOME, WHERE THE TEXICANS ROME, WHERE THE MOMS AND THE BABIES
DON'T CRY. I DON'T KNOW A WORD OF AN HE IS ESPANOL WORD, AND THE GODS ONLY
KNOW HOW I'VE TRIED. [(music) SINGING (music)] OH, GIVE BACK MY HEALTH WITH MY FINE
LITTLE WHITE SPOUSE, WITH THE WHITE PICTURE FENCE ALL AROUND. ALL THE ROSES AND
PEARLS TILL THE END OF THE WORLD, YOU CAN TELL THE GOOD NEIGHBORS I'VE
DROWNED. [(music) SINGING (music)] HOME, HOME ON DERANGED, WHERE THE BACK
BURNER IS BROKEN AGAIN. BUT I DON'T HAVE TO COOK, BECAUSE MY BEST TOOL YOU
TOOK, SO I'LL GO OUT AND PLAY WITH THE SAME. [(music) SINGING (music)] OH, GIVE ME A
SALE WITH YOUR DRUGS AND MORE HELL, WHEN THE GODS ONLY KNOW WHAT I'VE DONE
(music) (music) BUT I'LL CRY AND I'LL SING WITH MY TWO BROKEN WINGS (music) (music) YOU
MADE ME CRAWL WHEN I WANTED TO RUN (music) (music) OH, GIVE ME A ROOM WITH THE
NURSING HOME GLOOM (music) (music) WHERE I ROCK OR GET ROLLED DOWN THE HALL
(music) (music) MY BREATH IS NOW SHORT, IT'S IN THE REPORT (music) (music) BUT THEY'LL
SEAL THAT AND MAIL IT TO YOU-ALL (music) (music) OH, GIVE ME A HUT WHERE I'LL HE I'LL
KEEP MY MOUTH SHUT, WHERE THEY CALL MY BIPOLAR BY NAME (music) (music) WELL, I'LL
FLY AND I'LL CRASH, ON MY LILLY WHITE BREAST (music) (music) BUT YOU'LL NEVER STOP
TRYING TO TAME (music) (music) HOME, HOME ON DERANGED, WHERE THE BACK BURNER IS
BROKEN AGAIN (music) (music) BUT I DON'T HAVE TO COOK BECAUSE MY BEST TOOL YOU
TOOK, SO I'LL GO OUT AND PLAY WITH THE ASSIGN (music) (music) OH, GIVE ME A GRAVE
WHERE THE BAD BOYS BEHAVIOR BEHAVE, WHERE THE COYOTES CALL OUT MY NAME
(music) (music) NOW I SOAR THROUGH THE CLOUDS WHILE I'M CRYING OUT LOUD, THAT I'M
NO LONGER PLAYING YOUR GAME (music) (music)(music) THANK YOU. [(music) SINGING (music)
] HOME, HOME ON DERANGED (music)

MARCEL A TAFOYA. WELCOME.

A LITTLE SLOW BUT I'LL BE -- ONCE AGAIN, THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MAYOR PRO TEM,
COUNCIL MEMBERS. MY NAME IS MAR CELO TAFOYA. I'M LULAC NATIONAL CIVIL RIGHTS
COMMISSIONER. I WOULD LIKE TO EXPLAIN WHO LULAC IS AND WHAT LULAC STANDS FOR.
FIRST OF ALL, WE'RE A NONPROFIT. WE'RE A 501 C 4. WE'RE AN EDUCATIONAL NONPROFIT.
WE CANNOT ENDORSE ANY POLITICAL CANDIDATE, ALTHOUGH SOME PEOPLE HAVE BEEN
SAYING WE'RE DOING IT. WE CANNOT DO IT. IT'S THE LAW. BUT WE DO IS EDUCATE OUR
COMMUNITY ON ISSUES. , WE HAVE FORUMS, WE HAVE GATHERINGS. WE HAVE COMMITTEE
ORGANIZATIONS TO FIND OUT WHAT THE COMMUNITY -- OR WHAT IS OUT THERE FOR THE
COMMUNITY. SO CONSEQUENTLY ONE OF THE BIG THINGS IS SINGLE MEMBER DISTRICTS,
OUR COMMUNITY, IN FACT, I WENT TO ALL THE MEETINGS EXCEPT FOR ONE. EVERY ONE
THAT WENT TO SPEAK THERE WERE IN FAVOR OF IT, AND THEN THE COUNCIL ALL OF A
SUDDEN SAYS, WELL, WE CAN'T HAVE IT BECAUSE THERE WAS NO MAP BROUGHT

FORWARD. WELL -- AND THEN AT THE SAME TIME THE COUNCIL BROUGHT UP AN ISSUE SAYING THAT THEY WANTED THE COMMITTEE TO COME UP WITH OTHER ISSUES THAT WERE NOT ACTUALLY GIVEN TO THE COMMITTEE TO COME UP WITH. SO CONSEQUENTLY, APPARENTLY IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE A DEAD ITEM, BUT WE DON'T FEEL THAT IT'S DEAD. THE COMMUNITY WANTS SINGLE MEMBER DISTRICTS, AT LEAST ALL THE PEOPLE THAT WENT TO SPEAK BEFORE IT. THE TIMING OF THE MEETINGS WERE KIND OF HARD FOR THE COMMUNITY BUT A LOT OF THEM DID SHOW UP. AND WHAT WE'RE ASKING IS THAT, PERMITTED TO GO ON THE BALLOT. LET THE COMMUNITY DECIDE. AFTERWARD THEN WE CAN ADDRESS WHATEVER THE COUNCIL WANTED. AFTER ALL THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT HAS THE FINAL SAY, AND ALL WE'RE ASKING IS THAT TO PERMIT US TO MOVE FORWARD. OF COURSE THERE'S A LOT OF OTHER METHODS TO BE ABLE TO GET IT ON, INCLUDING A LAWSUIT, INCLUDING GOING TO THE LEGISLATURE, BUT WE'D RATHER HAVE THE COMMUNITY DECIDE INSTEAD OF FORCING IT UPON THE COMMUNITY. SO WE'RE ASKING THAT, AND I KNOW MOST LIKELY YOU'LL SAY IT WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE TO DO. BUT NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE WHEN YOU REALLY WANT TO PUT YOUR MIND TO IT. I WANT TO THANK YOU YOU-ALL AGAIN FOR PERMITTING US TO SPEAK. THERE'S A LOT OF ISSUES OUT THERE IN THE COMMUNITY THAT WE NEED TO RESOLVE, A LOT OF ISSUES THAT ARE COMING UP REGARDING POLICE, REGARDING FIRE, EMS, REGARDING CHILD CARE, REGARDING THE HOMELESS. THERE'S MANY THINGS THAT ARE OCCURRING IN THIS COMMUNITY THAT WE NEED TO BE AWARE OF, AND THAT'S ONE OF THE JOBS THAT LULAC DOES. I WANT TO THANK YOU AND I APPRECIATE YOUR TIME.

DUNKERLEY: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. GLORIA MORENO.

THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS GLORIA MORENO, AND I AM THE PRESIDENT OF PEDERNALES NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, AND WE ARE A 52-PARCEL COMMUNITY SANDWICHED IN BY RETAIL, COMMERCIAL, ALLY, WAREHOUSES AND RAILROAD TRACKS. AND WE HAVE BEEN ACTIVE SINCE THE THE FALL OF 1996, AND THE COMMUNITY IS VERY SMALL. WE HAVE MANY SENIORS. I MYSELF INCLUDED, AND MY MOTHER, AND WE HAVE CHILDREN THAT PLAY IN THE STREET DURING THE SUMMER, EVEN THOUGH WE HAVE A. [IN SPANISH] THEY HAVE TO CALL 7TH, EAST 7TH STREET TO GET TO. [IN SPANISH] SO A LOT OF TIMES THEY JUST PLAY, YOU KNOW, IN THE STREET, SINCE IT'S SUMMER AND THEY FEEL FREE, AND WITH LOTS OF ENERGY. BUT WE HAVE HAD A BIG PROBLEM IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD, AND I'M WORKING CLOSELY WITH AUSTIN POLICE DEPARTMENT IN OUR AREA, COMMANDER GAMBLE OF THE EAST AUSTIN SUBSTATION, OUR DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE, JOSE RODRIGUEZ. HE'S VERY COMPASSIONATE AND WORKS CLOSELY WITH US. ALSO WITH OTHER PEOPLE ON THE FORCE, AND WITH CODE ENFORCE HIM ABOUT THE DRUGS AND PROSTITUTION IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. WE HOPE TO CLAMP DOWN ON THESE PEOPLE, FIND A WAY TO HAVE THEM LEAVE THE AREA. I DON'T KNOW HOW THAT'S GOING TO WORK OUT, BUT I WILL BE COMING FORTH AND PRESENTING TO THE TASK FORCE THAT COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ IS A MEMBER OF, AND I WILL PRESENT A LETTER, THAT HOPEFULLY WE CAN GET HELP TO HAVE THESE PEOPLE EVICTED. THE HOMEOWNER WILL HAVE TO HEEVICT THE PEOPLE, REMODEL THE STRUCTURE, DO AWAY WITH A LOT OF

LITTLE SHACKS AND THINGS THAT THEY HAVE BUILT THEMSELVES UP OVER THE YEARS. AND FROM THAT ADDRESS ALSO CAME ONE OF THE CRIMINALS THAT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THREE OR FOUR, POSSIBLY FIVE OF THE BURGLARIZED SITUATIONS THAT WE HAD ON EAST 7TH OVER THE HOLIDAYS. AND THIS PERSON CAME FROM THERE. HE'S INCARCERATED RIGHT NOW, AND AFTER THAT I'M NOT SURE WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN TO HIM. BUT AT LEAST ONE PERSON WAS IDENTIFIED, AND I WAS SAD TO KNOW THAT HE WAS FROM MY NEIGHBORHOOD, BUT HE WAS ONE OF THE PEOPLE THAT COME AND GO, COME AND GO. BECAUSE OF THE BURGLARIES, THE -- LIKE 20 IN A MONTH AND A HALF DURING NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER AND PART OF JANUARY, THE BUSINESSPEOPLE MET AND WE FORMED BEAST SIDE BUSINESS APPLIANCE, AND OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE HOPEFULLY TO ELECT OFFICERS AND HOPEFULLY WORK FORWARD. BUT WE'RE ALL WORKING AS CLOSELY AS WE CAN WITH THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND CHIEF OSIVERO HAS ADDRESSED US AT ONE OF OUR MEETINGS AND HOPEFULLY WE'LL BE ABLE TO HAVE A GOOD TEAM THERE AND ALSO WORK WITH CITY COUNCIL AS WE'VE ALWAYS TRIED TO DO. AND AGAIN, THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. I WANTED TO GREET OUR NEW CITY MANAGER, BUT HE HAD ANOTHER COMMITMENT.

WELL, THIS IS ONE OF OUR NEW ASSISTANT CITY MANAGERS, ROBERT GOOD.

HI.

GOOD, G-O-O-D? [INAUDIBLE]

OKAY. WELL, NICE TO MEET YOU, SIR.

DUNKERLEY: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

THANK YOU, MA'AM.

DUNKERLEY: PAUL HERNANDEZ? NOT HERE TODAY. KATHY CORREA? KATHY? DAVID JENKINS?

THANK YOU, MAYOR PRO TEM. GOOD AFTERNOON TO EVERYONE UP ON THE DAIS TODAY. MY NAME IS DAVID JENKINS AND LESLIE McCULLOCK, YOUR FIRST SPEAKER TODAY, WHICH WAS KIND OF HARD TO HEAR BECAUSE THERE WERE A LOT OF DESCRANGS DISTRACTIONS. DID SHE MENTION MY NAME? BECAUSE I AM ONE OF THE STATE COORDINATORS FOR THE CAMPAIGN TO ESTABLISH A DEPARTMENT OF PEACE IN OUR FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. I'VE LIVED IN AUSTIN FOR 36 YEARS. I'VE A LONG TIME AUSTIN RESIDENT. I'VE WORKED WITH TROUBLE YOUTH, I'VE WORKED IN THE SCHOOLS, WORKED IN PRISON SETTING, AND I SEE HOW MUCH OF A NEED THERE IS FOR US TO HAVE EVEN MORE EFFECTIVE MEASURES TO REDUCE VIOLENCE. WE ARE COMING TO THE CITY COUNCIL ABOUT THIS INITIATIVE BECAUSE IT DOES HAVE A DIRECT AND PRACTICAL BEARING ON OUR WISH TO REDUCE VIOLENCE RIGHT HERE IN OUR LOCAL COMMUNITIES. I UNDERSTAND THAT MAYBE AT FIRST

GLANCE IT MIGHT LOOK LIKE, WELL, THIS IS A FEDERAL MEASURE, WHAT DOES THIS HAVE TO DO WITH THE CITY COUNCIL OF AUSTIN? HOPEFULLY YOU'LL BE ABLE TO SEE THAT IT IS MOST PERTINENT TO LIFE HERE IN AUSTIN. THE DEPARTMENT OF PEACEFUL LEGISLATION HAS BOTH A DOMESTIC AND AN INTERNATIONAL FOCUS, ALTHOUGH MOST OF THE FUNDING WOULD GO TO SUPPORT DOMESTIC PROGRAMMING, THINGS THAT ARE ALREADY WORKING. I'M SURE THAT WE ALL WANT OUR TEACHERS TO FEEL SAFE GOING TO WORK. WE WANT OUR YOUTH AND OUR CHILDREN TO LEARN HOW TO SOLVE CONFLICTS WITHOUT RESORTING TO VIOLENCE, WHICH IS SOMETIMES EVEN LETHAL, AND WE ALSO WANT OUR CRIMINAL OFFENDERS TO STAY OUT OF JAIL ONCE THEY'RE RELEASED AFTER SERVING THEIR TIME, BECAUSE THEY'VE BEEN TRULY REHABILITATED. THE DEPARTMENT OF PEACE WOULD ADDRESS ALL THESE ISSUES. THERE ARE SOME VERY GOOD PROGRAMS CURRENTLY WORKING HERE IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN TO ADDRESS THESE AND OTHER FORMS OF VIOLENCE ON A LOCAL LEVEL. AS A MATTER OF FACT, OUR CAMPAIGN IS HONORED THIS WEEKEND TO HAVE DR. WILLIAM PETTY, MANAGER OF VICTIM SERVICES HERE AT AUSTIN POLICE DEPARTMENT, AS ONE OF OUR FEATURED SPEAKERS AT OUR REGIONAL CONFERENCE IN DALLAS. WE'RE VERY HAPPY THAT HE IS ONE OF THE SUPPORTERS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PEACE, AND HE IS -- HIS PROGRAM IS A REALLY GOOD EXAMPLE OF HOW THERE IS A LOT OF EXPERTISE ALREADY AVAILABLE TO US AS A COUNTRY AND AS A COMMUNITY. IT JUST NEEDS MORE SUPPORT. WE FEEL LIKE WE NEED TO REALLY MAKE PEACE BUILDING A PRIORITY, AND HAVING A DEPARTMENT OF PEACE ON OUR CABINET WOULD DO THAT. THE DEPARTMENT OF PEACE, AS I SAID, WOULD ESTABLISH BOTH DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL FOCUS AND IT WOULD ALSO ESTABLISH A PEACE ACADEMY TO TRAIN PROFESSIONALS IN PEACE BUILDING AND TO DO RESEARCH ABOUT WHAT REALLY WORKS TO RESOLVE CONFLICTS PEACEABLY. AND IN THE COMING WEEKS WE PLAN TO BE MEETING WITH EACH OF YOU SO THAT WE CAN EXPLAIN MORE ABOUT THIS, ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS YOU MIGHT HAVE, AND TO ASK FOR YOUR ENDORSEMENT OF THIS VERY IMPORTANT AND HISTORIC LEGISLATION. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

DUNKERLEY: THANK YOU. ROBERT MACDONALD? ROBERT MACDONALD? AT THIS TIME, IF THERE ARE NO OTHER SPEAKERS, THE COUNCIL WILL GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR A PRIVATE CONSULTATION WITH OUR ATTORNEY UNDER SECTION 551.071 OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT TO DISCUSS AGENDA ITEMS 72, THE LEGAL ISSUES RELATING TO DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS FOR BETH ANY -- MISSION BETH ANY SUBDIVISION, ITEM NO. 73, LEGAL ISSUES RELATING TO LABOR NEGOTIATIONS WITH OUR PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENTS, AND NO. 74, LEGAL ISSUES RELATED TO THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF THE HAYS COUNTY WATER CONTROL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1, FOR AMENDMENT TO THE TEXAS POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM. IF THERE'S NO -- IS THERE -- IS THERE AN OBJECTION TO GOING INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT THIS TIME ON THESE ITEMS READ? HEARING NO OBJECTIONS, COUNCIL THE NOW GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION. -- COUNCIL WILL NOW GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION. (EXECUTIVE SESSION) NO CARRIERRINGCONNECT 57600 A ITEM 72, LEGAL ISSUES WITH OUR PUBLIC SAFETY

DEPARTMENT, AND ITEM 74 REGARDING A PERMIT BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION HEARINGS. COUNCIL, REGARDING THAT LAST ITEM, 74, WE DO HAVE A RELATED ACTION ITEM, NUMBER 76. SO PERHAPS WE COULD HAVE A BRIEF STAFF PRESENTATION AND WE WILL TAKE ACTION.

THANK YOU, MAYOR AND COUNCIL. I'M HOLLY WITH THE CITY LAW DEPARTMENT. YOU HAVE BEFORE YOU AN ACTION ITEM, JUST A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE CITY STAFF TO PARTICIPATE IN SETTLEMENT DISCUSSIONS. IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF HAYS COUNTY WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT FOR AN AMENDMENT TO TEXAS POLLUTION DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT NUMBER WQ 0014293001. THE GOAL OF ACHIEVING NO DIRECT DISCHARGE OF THE DARTON SEGMENT OF THE AQUIFER. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, I WOULD BE HAPPY TO ANSWER THEM.

QUESTIONS FOR STAFF? COMMENTS? IF NOT, I WILL ENTERTAIN A MOTION FOR ITEM NUMBER 76. MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ. SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER COLE TO APPROVE THIS RESOLUTION ON ITEM NUMBER 76 AS PRESENTED BY STAFF AND THE LEGAL MATTERS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION. FURTHER COMMENTS? COUNCIL MEMBER LEFFINGWELL.

I WILL SUPPORT THE MOTION BECAUSE I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE HAVE CITY STAFF WITH ITS EXPERTISE AT THE TABLE IN THESE NEGOTIATIONS TO ACHIEVE THE GOAL OF NO DISCHARGE AND NOTING THAT ANY SETTLEMENT WOULD HAVE TO COME BACK TO THE CITY COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL. SO THIS IS NOT REALLY GIVING ANYTHING AWAY. WHAT IT DOES IS KEEP US AT THE TABLE, I THINK, YOU KNOW, I AM STILL ONE FIRMLY COMMITTED TO AN EVENTUAL GOAL OF NO DISCHARGE AND WILL FIND THAT I WILL NOT BE ABLE TO SUPPORT A SETTLEMENT THAT DOES NOT DRAW PROVISION. BECAUSE I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT WE STAY AT THE TABLE, I WILL SUPPORT THIS MOTION.

MOTION AND SECOND ON THE TABLE, APPROVING THE RECOMMENDED RESOLUTION ITEM NUMBER 76. FURTHER COMMENTS? HEARING NONE, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR, PLEASE SAY AYE. AYE. OPPOSED? MOTION PASS THE ON A VOTE OF 6-0 WITH COUNCIL MEMBER McCRACKEN TEMPORARILY OFF THE DAIS. THANK YOU ALL. SO COUNCIL, THAT TAKES US JUST PAST OUR 2:00 WINDOW FOR OUR AFTERNOON BRIEFING, OR PRESENTATION. TODAY IT IS GOING TO BE THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS FROM OUR '06 THROUGH '08 AFRICAN-AMERICAN QUALITY OF LIFE INITIATIVE. AND WE WOULD WELCOME THE PRESENTATION. WELCOME.

ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU, MAYOR AND COUNCIL. MICHAEL McDONNELL, ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENTS. WE'RE PLEASED TO PRESENT THE FINAL REPORT OF THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN QUALITY OF LIFE INITIATIVE. ALTHOUGH THIS IS OUR FINAL REPORT ON THE 56 INITIATIVES AGREED UPON IN 2005 IT IS NOT OUR INTENTION TO SIGNAL THAT THE CITY'S EFFORTS HAVE CONCLUDED. AS YOU WILL HEAR IN THIS REPORT, MANY OF THE EFFORTS ARE ON GOING. FURTHERMORE, WE WILL CONTINUE TO WORK WITH

MEMBERS OF THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY TO INITIATE CHANGES TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE AND ATTRACT AFRICAN-AMERICANS TO AUSTIN. ALTHOUGH OUR INITIATIVES HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFUL, WE CONTINUE TO EMPHASIZE SUSTAINABLE LONG-TERM CHANGE WILL REQUIRE THE EFFORTS OF THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE CITY CO-CHAIRS WHO TOOK ON THE RESPONSIBILITY OF IMPLEMENTING THESE INITIATIVES IN THEIR RESPECTIVE AREAS. THE MEMBERS OF THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMISSION FOR THEIR GUIDANCE, AND MAYOR AND COUNCIL FOR THE RESOURCES AND SUPPORT THAT YOU'VE GIVEN US. MAYOR, AND COUNCIL, THIS INITIATIVE BEGAN IN 2004. OUR CITY DEM OGRAPHER BEGAN A STUDY OF QUALITY OF LIFE FOR AFRICAN-AMERICANS. A LOT OF THIS DISCUSSION AND INITIATIVE WAS SPARKED BY SEVERAL CONTROVERSIAL EVENTS THAT HAD TAKEN PLACE IN THE COMMUNITY, MANY OF WHICH WERE SPLIT RELATED. IT TRIGGERED A DISCUSSION ABOUT A DIFFERENT AUSTIN, ALTHOUGH AUSTIN HAS BEEN VERY VIBRANT AND AT THE TOP OF EVERY WHO'S WHO LISTS OF PUBLICATIONS ABOUT WE BEGAN TO REALIZE THAT AFRICAN-AMERICANS COMPLAINED ABOUT A DIFFERENT AUSTIN. THEY DIDN'T IDENTIFY WITH MANY OF THE AWARDS AND THE ATTENTION THAT AUSTIN WAS RECEIVING. THEY TALKED ABOUT A DIFFERENT AUSTIN, SO THEREFORE WE HAD THE DEMOGRAPHER TAKE A LOOK AT SOME OF THE MAJOR ECONOMIC INDICATORS. THE CITY DEMOGRAPHER PRESENTED HIS REPORT IN MARCH OF 2005, AND THERE WERE MANY FINDINGS BUT SOME OF THE TOP FINDINGS WERE WHEN IT CAME TO MANY OF THE SOCIAL ECONOMIC AREAS, AFRICAN-AMERICANS IN AUSTIN FARED WELCOME PAIRED TO OTHER AFRICAN-AMERICANS NATIONWIDE BUT THEY SEEMED TO LAG BEHIND OTHER GROUPS NOT OF COLOR HERE IN THE AUSTIN COMMUNITY, AND THE OTHER THING THAT WAS A CONCERN IS AS THE POPULATION SEEMED TO GROW FOR MANY OF THE OTHER AREAS, THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN POPULATION WAS DECREASING, NOT JUST IN AUSTIN, BUT IN THE REGION. THIS SPARKED THE COUNCIL'S APPROVAL FOR SIX QUALITY OF LIFE FORUMS TO BE CONDUCTED. THE FORUMS WERE CONDUCTED BY GROUP SOLUTIONS HEADED BY RABINA JACKSON. THE FORUMS PRIMARILY DID A COUPLE THINGS. THEY, ONE, SOLICITED IMPACT FROM THE SCORE CARD THAT WAS PRESENTED BY THE DEMOGRAPHER. THEY ALSO TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE CITY TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE OF AFRICAN-AMERICANS. THERE WERE TWO PRIMARY QUESTIONS THAT WERE ASKED. ONE, DO AFRICAN-AMERICANS EXPERIENCE CHALLENGES DIFFERENT FROM OTHERS IN AUSTIN AND THE OVERWHELMING RESPONSE FROM THE PARTICIPANTS WERE YES. AND THEN THE NEXT THING WAS WHAT CAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT DO MAINLY THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TO RETAIN AND TRACK AFRICAN-AMERICANS SO THAT AUSTIN MAINTAIN AS DIVERSE CULTURE. ON MAY 26, 2005, GROUP SOLUTIONS PRESENTED THEIR REPORT TO COUNCIL. IT HAD 34 RECOMMENDATIONS AND FIVE AREAS. ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT, POLICE INTERACTION, HOUSING AND COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT, EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. AT THE TIME THE REPORT WAS PRESENTED TO COUNCIL, COMMUNITY LEADERS CAME FORWARD TO REQUEST AN OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW THE REPORT BEFORE THE COUNCIL MADE ANY FINAL DECISION. THE COUNCIL GRANTED THAT REQUEST AND THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY STARTED WITH A FORUM THAT THEY

HAD TO REVIEW THE WORK THAT WAS DONE BY OUR DEMOGRAPHER TO REVIEW THE WORK THAT WAS DONE BY GROUP SOLUTIONS AND TO MAKE ANY OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS. THEY ALSO HAD A SERIES OF MEETINGS IN THE COMMUNITY. ON JUNE 23, 2005, THE COMMUNITY PRESENTED A COMMUNITY POSITION PAPER TO THE CITY COUNCIL. IT ADOPTED ALL 34 OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM GROUP SOLUTIONS. IT ADDED 22 ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS, AND IT ADDED HEALTH AS A SIXTH CATEGORY. ON JULY 7, 2005, SUB COMMITTEES WERE FORMED TO REFINER THE RECOMMENDATION AND ESTABLISH PROJECT TIME LINES WITH THE COMMUNITY'S SUB COMMITTEES. THE SUB COMMITTEES WERE REPRESENTED BY CITY STAFF, CO-CHAIRS FROM THE COMMUNITY AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY ALONG ADDITIONAL STAFF MEMBERS. TEAMS FOCUSED ON IMPLEMENTING SHORT-TERM SOLUTIONS, PRODUCING A FINAL IMPLEMENTATION PLAN, AND A PRESENTATION TO COUNCIL. A FINAL PRODUCT WAS AN AFRICAN-AMERICAN QUALITY OF LIFE, A BLUEPRINT FOR SUCCESS. IN OCTOBER OF 2005, CITY COUNCIL RECEIVED A JOINT PRESENTATION FROM THE COMMUNITY LEADERS AND STAFF. COUNCIL APPROVED STAFF'S PROPOSAL TO ADDRESS THE 56 RECOMMENDATIONS OVER A TWO-YEAR PERIOD. IN JUNE, 2006, THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMISSION WAS CREATED BY CITY COUNCIL TO GIVE FORMAL OVERSIGHT OF THE 56 INITIATIVES AND BUILD UPON ANY OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS THEY WOULD MAKE. STAFF PROVIDED UPDATES TO THE RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMISSION, TO THE CITY MANAGER AND TO MYSELF, AND THERE WAS ALSO AN ANNUAL REPORT THAT WAS PRESENTED TO THE RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMISSION AND TO COUNCIL. AFTER THOSE PRESENTATIONS AND ALL THIS WORK HAD BEEN DONE, THE CITY'S COMMITMENT IN ADDITION TO THIS WAS, AS I STATED BEFORE, TO IMPLEMENT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OVER A TWO-YEAR PERIOD, CONTINUE TO WORK WITHIN THE SUB COMMITTEES AS NECESSARY, REPORT PROGRESS TO THE COUNCIL AND THE COMMUNITY, AND WE'RE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT ALL THE RECOMMENDATIONS HAVE BEEN IMPLEMENTED. AND WE'RE HERE TODAY TO PRESENT YOU THAT TWO-YEAR REPORT. THIS RECOMMENDATION ALSO COMES WITH THE APPROVAL AND ENDORSEMENT OF THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN ADVISORY COMMISSION. BEFORE I HAVE OUR CITY CO-CHAIRS BEGIN TO PRESENT, I WOULD LIKE TO ALSO IDENTIFY MEMBERS OF THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMISSION THAT HAVE BEEN INSTRUMENTAL IN HELPING US OVER THE LAST TWO YEARS. THE CURRENT MEMBERS OF NELSON LENDER, THE PRESIDENT OF THE NAACP. BYRON MARSHAL, THE CEO OF THE AUSTIN REVITALIZATION AUTHORITY. LISA BIRD OF THE PEARL ARTS COLLECTIVE. JEFFREY RICHARDS ARE THE URBAN LEAGUE. EUGENE, THE PRESIDENT OF THE CAPITAL CITY AFRICAN-AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. AND DR. HALL WHO IS A COMMUNITY AT LARGE MEMBER. SOME OF THE PAST MEMBERS THAT WERE VERY INSTRUMENTAL WAS THE ALLIANCE THE HEALTH IN CENTRAL TEXAS. GREG MARSHAL FORMERLY OF THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND JOYCE SIMMONS WAS A COMMUNITY MEMBER AT LARGE. THOSE WITH THE ASTERISKS WERE INITIAL MEMBERS WHO HELPED US WITH THE QUALITY OF LIFE INITIATIVE. COUNCIL, AT THE CONCLUSION OF THIS PRESENTATION THE CHAIRMAN WOULD LIKE TO MAKE COMMENTS SO WE WILL BEGIN THE PRESENTATION WITH THE ASSISTANT DIRECTER OF PARKS AND RECREATION WHO HEADED UP THE ARTS,

CULTURE AND ENTERTAINMENT SEGMENT.

THANK YOU, CHIEF. WELCOME, MISS WRIGHT.

THANK YOU. THANK YOU, CHIEF. GOOD AFTERNOON MAYOR AND COUNCIL, ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER AND THE AUSTIN COMMUNITY AT LARGE. IT IS WITH GREAT HONOR AND ENTHUSIASM I PRESENT THE FINAL REPORT OF THE ARTS, CULTURE AND ENTERTAINMENT SUB COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN AFRICAN-AMERICAN QUALITY OF LIFE INITIATIVE. IN THE TIME I WILL HIGHLIGHT THE MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS ACCOMPLISHED OVER THE LAST TWO YEARS. THE ARTS CULTURE AND ENTERTAINMENT SUB COMMITTEE WAS CHARGED TO FOCUS ITS EFFORTS ON 10 INITIATIVES. ALL INITIATIVES HAVE BEEN IMPLEMENTED AND MOST HAVE BEEN COMPLETED. THESE INITIATIVES UP FIND RANGE FROM ENHANCING THE WAY WE MARKET THIS GREAT CITY AND WHAT IT HAS TO OFFER TO AFRICAN-AMERICANS WHO LIVE IN AND OUT OF OUR CITY, TO FINDING SOLUTIONS THAT WILL RESULT IN GREATER PARTICIPATION OF AFRICAN-AMERICAN ARTISTS, AND ORIZATIONS IN THE CITY'S CULTURAL CONTRACT PROGRAMMING. IN OTHER WORDS, YOU ARE GOING TO FIND THESE OVERARCHING THEMES FOR THE INITIATIVES WE'RE BRINGING FORWARD TODAY REALLY FOCUS ON THREE MAJOR REQUESTS FROM THE COMMUNITY. ONE THAT WE WOULD BRAND AND MARKET OUR CITY AS A GREAT CITY AND A PLACE FOR AFRICAN-AMERICANS TO LIVE, TO WORK, TO PLAY, AND TO RAISE FAMILIES. THIS MEANS PROMOTING AND INCLUDING AFRICAN-AMERICANS IN EVERYTHING THAT IS CONSIDERED AUSTIN. SECOND, TO INCREASE THE AVAILABILITY OF AFRICAN-AMERICAN ART, CULTURE, AND ENTERTAINMENT, AND IN DOING SO, INCREASE THE RECOGNITION OF OUR HISTORY AND ON GOING CONTRIBUTIONS, BOTH AT A LOCAL AND NATIONAL LEVEL. AND CERTAINLY, TO SUSTAIN EFFORTS FOR THE YEARS TO COME, THE COMMUNITY HAD ASKED THAT WE WOULD CREATE AN INVEST IN AN AFRICAN-AMERICAN CULTURAL ARTS DISTRICT AS A VITAL AND SUSTAINABLE ANCHOR FOR THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN ARTS CULTURE AND ENTERTAINMENT AS WELL AS AFRICAN-AMERICAN OWNED BUSINESSES. THAT BEING SAID, I WOULD LIKE TO MOVE ON TO BRIEFLY HIGHLIGHT OUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS FOR EACH INITIATIVE. THE FIRST THREE INITIATIVES REALLY FOCUSED ON PROMOTING AUSTIN FROM WITHIN AND WITHOUT. AND THESE WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN MADE POSSIBLE IN TERMS OF OUR SUCCESS WITHOUT THE SUPPORT OF THE AUSTIN CONVENTION AND VISITOR'S BUREAU. WHAT YOU WILL FIND IS THAT FOR THE FIRST TIME, WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE CITY OF AUSTIN THROUGH OUR INTERNET PROCESS, THAT ON THE ACVB WEB SITE THERE IS NOW A WEB PAGE THAT FOCUSES PRIMARILY ON DIVERSE AUSTIN, IN FACT, THAT IS WHAT THE WEB PAGE IS CALLED. IT HIGHLIGHTS THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN EVENTS IN OUR COMMUNITY, SIGNATURE EVENTS AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES THAT HAPPEN THROUGHOUT OUR CITY. SECONDLY, YOU WILL FIND THAT ACVB WAS RESPONSIVE IN HIRING A LIAISON WHOSE PURPOSE WAS TO FOCUS ON ATTRACT ATTRACTING AFRICAN-AMERICAN MEETINGS AND CONFERENCES AND IN THE LAST TWO YEARS THEY WERE HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL IN BOOKING 25 MEETINGS AND CONFERENCES AND YIELDING OVER \$6 MILLION IN A LOCAL ECONOMIC IMPACT. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS ARE NOW -- SIGNATURE EVENTS ARE NOW PUBLISHED IN THE ACVB WEB SITE AS WELL. IN ADDITION TO THE

CULTURAL CONTRACTS PROGRAMMING, YOU WILL FIND THAT ONE MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENT IS THAT THERE WERE 55 ARTISTS AND ARTS ORGANIZATIONS WHO WERE FUNDED OVER THE LAST TWO YEARS. THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF FUNDING THROUGH THESE ARTS AND ART ORGANIZATIONS WAS \$510,000 AND A LITTLE MORE. YOU WILL ALSO FIND IN THE NEXT INITIATIVE THAT THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL ESTABLISHED THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN CULTURAL HERITAGE DISTRICT AND WITHIN THIS DISTRICT, THE VOTERS APPROVED \$1.5 MILLION FOR AN ANCHOR FACILITY WHICH WE CALLED AN AFRICAN-AMERICAN CULTURAL FACILITY THAT WILL HOUSE BOTH A VISITOR'S BUREAU, AN AFRICAN-AMERICAN ARTS ORGANIZATION AND AFRICAN-AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. THIS ANCHOR FACILITY WILL BE THE PLACE TO GO TO LEARN ABOUT WHAT IS HAPPENING IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN WITH RESPECT TO CELEBRATION OF THE ARTS. IT WILL ALSO BE A SINGLE POINT TO GO TO FIND OUT ALL OF THE OPPORTUNITIES FROM A BUSINESS STANDPOINT IF YOU ARE AN UP AND COMING BUSINESS OR AN ENTREPRENEURIAL ENTITY. THE CITY COUNCIL RENAMED THE CARVER THEATER THE BOYD VANCE THEATER. THIS WAS OF GREAT SIGNIFICANCE TO THE COMMUNITY IN THAT BOYD VANCE CONTRIBUTED A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF CONTRIBUTIONS IN THE WORLD OF THE ARTS AND THE CITY OF AUSTIN HONORED HIS CONTRIBUTIONS BY DOING SO. ACVB ALSO EXPANDED ITS WEB SITE ALONG WITH THE CITY OF AUSTIN IN WHICH WE ENHANCED OUR WEB SITE NOW TO FOCUS ON NOT ONLY THIS PARTICULAR INITIATIVE SO THE COMMUNITY CAN KNOW WHAT IS GOING ON, BUT ALSO TO FOCUS ON ATTRACTIONS AND RESOURCES THROUGHOUT THE CITY OF AUSTIN. AND OUR SISTER ORGANIZATIONS. FOR THE FIRST TIME, AUSTIN SPONSORED ITS FIRST AFRICAN-AMERICAN FILM FESTIVAL. WE WERE ALSO SUCCESSFUL IN COMPLETING THREE CONSECUTIVE YEARS OF THE URBAN MUSIC FESTIVAL AND WE HAVE TO GIVE GREAT RECOGNITION TO SOUTH BY SOUTHWEST WHO HAS ALSO HELPED TO COSPONSOR EVENTS AT THE CARVER. ALONG WITH THESE FESTIVITIES AND FOCUSING ON INCREASING AWARENESS OF CULTURAL ATTRACTIONS, THE CITY OF AUSTIN HAS SPONSORED MANY BANDS WHO HAVE PERFORMED RIGHT HERE AT CITY HALL WITH LIVE AT THE PLAZA. THE CITY OF AUSTIN ALSO COSPONSORED MANY CONVERSATIONS ACROSS THE ARTS BETWEEN MUSEUMS AND THE CITY OF AUSTIN. LASTLY, I WANT TO CONCENTRATE ON PROVIDING INFORMATION CONCERNING OUR ARTS IN PUBLIC PLACES. THE COMMUNITY WAS VERY MUCH INTERESTED IN SEEING THAT AFRICAN-AMERICAN ARTISTS BEGIN TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROGRAM, AND THROUGH WORKSHOPS THAT WERE HELD THROUGHOUT THE CITY, AFRICAN-AMERICAN ARTISTS HAVE BEEN INCLUDED IN THE APPLICATION OF THIS PROGRAM, AND AS A RESULT OF THAT, WE HAVE FUNNELED THREE ADDITIONAL -- FUNDED THREE ADDITIONAL ARTS ORGANIZATIONS FOR THIS PROGRAM. THIS CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION.

THANK YOU, MISS WRIGHT.

GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS. ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER HUFFMAN. I'M THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR GROWTH AND ECONOMIC SERVICES. I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF SUE EDWARDS TO PRESENT HER REPORT ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. SHE IS STILL UNDER THE WEATHER RECUPERATING FROM HER RECENT SURGERY. SUE AND I

HAVE THE HONOR OF WORKING WITH SEVERAL COMMUNITY LEADERS ON THE ECONOMIC SUB COMMITTEE. WE WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THEIR TIRELESS INTEREST AND EXCEPTIONAL INSIGHT ON MAKING AUSTIN'S ECONOMIC SUCCESS AVAILABLE AND APPLICABLE TO ALL OF AUSTIN'S COMMUNITY. OVER THE PAST TWO YEAR, OUR SUB COMMITTEE FORMULATED NINE INITIATIVES WHICH HAVE BEEN IMPLEMENTED OR FULLY COMPLETED. THE THEMES IN THESE PARTICULAR INITIATIVES WERE THREE: FIRST, PROVIDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR COMMUNITY INPUT AND STRENGTHENING OUR COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE COMMUNITY. SECONDLY, THE NEED FOR ENTREPRENEURS TO ACCESS CAPITAL. AND THIRDLY, HOW TO ENHANCE OPPORTUNITIES IN DOING BUSINESS WITH THE CITY. I WILL NOW PROVIDE WITH YOU A SHORT LIST, WHICH IS A SAMPLE, OF THE MANY ACHIEVEMENTS THAT SHOW HOW WE ADDRESSED AND FOCUSED ON THESE THREE THEMES. AS YOU KNOW, THE CITY INVESTS SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT OF FEDERAL MONEYS IN VARIOUS ECONOMIC INITIATIVES THROUGH OUR NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, AS A PART OF THE PLANNING PROCESS, THEY HOLD SEVERAL HEARINGS. AS THE SUB COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION THE NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING ADDED A SPECIAL HEARING EXCLUSIVELY IS DEDICATED TO OBTAINING INPUT FOR THE USE OF FEDERAL MONIES FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. TO DIRECTLY ADDRESS THE NEED FOR ACCESSES COUNCIL, THEY IMPLEMENTED A SMALL BUSINESS LOAN PROGRAM. IN ADDITION, THE SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM LAUNCHED AN ACCESSING CAPITAL EDUCATION PROGRAM THIS LEARNING SERIES PROVIDES AND TEACHES BUSINESS OWNERS THE INS AND OUTS OF COMMERCIAL LENDING THROUGH SEVEN TOPICS. AN EXAMPLE OF HOW WE HAVE CHANGED CITY BUSINESS, IS A SELECTION PROCESS THAT WE USED RECENTLY IN CHOOSING BANKING SERVICES. FOR THE FIRST TIME, WE ADDED IN THE RSP AN EVALUATION CRITERIA THAT ADDRESSES THE RERESPOND DON'TS HISTORY ON SMALL BUSINESS LENDING. -- RE RESPONDENTS HISTORY ON SMALL BUSINESS LENDING. WE ENSURED THAT MINORITY INPUT FORMED THE BASIS. WE SHORED UP COMPLIANCE AND MONITORING OPEN FOR EFFORTS BY HIRING ADDITIONAL STAFF IN VARIOUS COMPLIANCE AND MONITORING TOPICS. I WOULD LIKE TO CONCLUDE MY PRESENTATION BY STATING THAT OUR WORK IN THIS ARENA HAS RESULTED IN SUBSTANTIVE CHANGES AND WE ARE COMMITTED TO CONTINUE TO WORK AND LOOK FOR ADDED OPPORTUNITIES TO BE OF SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION.

THANK YOU.

GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR, COUNCIL MEMBERS. ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER HUFFMAN. I WORK AT AUSTIN ENERGY AND WAS GIVEN THE HONOR OF SERVING AS THE COCHAIR OF THE EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE. I'M JOINED TODAY BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE AUSTIN AREA URBAN LEAGUE WHO ALSO SERVED AS A CO-CHAIR. WE WERE GIVEN EIGHT INITIATIVES AS WE BEGAN THIS PROCESS, AND I'M PROUD TO SAY TO YOU TODAY THAT WE HAVE IMPLEMENTED OR COMPLETED ALL OF THE INITIATIVES THAT WERE GIVEN TO US. WHAT WE FOUND DURING THIS JOURNEY IS THAT EDUCATION IS CERTAINLY CRITICAL FOR SUCCESS, HOWEVER, WHAT WE HAVE TO CONVEY TO STUDENTS

IS WHAT YOU LEARN IN THE CLASSROOM HAS A TANGIBLE VALUE, AND HAS A DIRECT IMPACT ON THE TYPES OF OPPORTUNITIES THAT YOU GET FOR EMPLOYMENT. AND THE COMMITTEE'S WORK WAS DEDICATED TOWARDS CREATING REAL PARTNERSHIPS ACROSS THE COMMUNITIES SO THAT WE COULD EMPOWER AND ENABLE STUDENTS THERE WERE THREE PRIMARY VAINS OF OUR WORK. THE FIRST WAS AN AWARENESS OF EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES AT THE CITY. THE SECOND WAS BUILDING EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURERAL PARTNERSHIPS. AND THE FINAL WAS CREATING OPPORTUNITY FOR SKILLS DEVELOPMENT. BOTH INSIDE THE CITY AND EXTERNALLY AS WELL. AS YOU LOOK AT SOME OF OUR OUTPUTS AND SOME OF OUR THINGS THAT WE WERE ABLE TO ACCOMPLISH OVER THAT PERIOD, I WOULD BE REMISS AND NOT IDENTIFYING SOME OF THE PEOPLE THAT WORKED WITH US, PARTICULARLY IN THE CITY TO MAKE THESE THINGS HAPPEN. AS WE WORKED ON MAKING PEOPLE APRIL WARE OF EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES, THERE -- PEOPLE AWARE OF EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES THERE WERE SEVERAL PEOPLE CRITICAL IN HELPING US INTERNALLY, RITA HOLMES, CALVIN SANDER, THEY HELPS US TRACK NOT ONLY AFRICAN-AMERICAN EXECUTIVE ADVANCEMENT BUT PARTICIPATION IN THE EOC CATEGORIES. THEY WERE INSTRUMENTAL IN CREATING AN INTERNSHIP PROGRAM. THEY ALSO HELPED US ADVERTISE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES ACROSS OUR LOCAL AFRICAN-AMERICAN MEDIA, IN PARTICULAR THE VILLAGER AND KAZI. AS WE WORK TO IMPLEMENT ITEM NUMBER TWO, WE HAD SEVERAL PEOPLE ON THE INSIDE OF THE CITY THAT HELPED US AS WELL. ANA WAS ONE 6 MY CO-CHAIRS THAT WORKED DIRECTLY WITH THE AISD PROBLEM JECT AND BERNADETTE HELPED US DID ORGANIZE EVENTS AT THE MUSEUM. WHAT WE TRIED TO CREATES WITH AN ASSET MAP AND ORGANIZATION AND PEOPLE TO DEVELOP STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS TO BUILD EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES. WE SERVED ON THE JOINT AISD CITY OF AUSTIN EDUCATIONAL TASK FORCE WHERE WE IDENTIFIED CURRENT INITIATIVES AND BEST PRACTICES. TWO PEOPLE THAT WERE ASSIGNED BY AISD WERE DOCTOR JANICE GURERO AND DR. DARLENE WEST BLOCKS. WE -- WESTBROOK. WE COMBED THEIR BUDGET AND THINGS DESIGNED TO HELP STUDENTS AND WE WERE ABLE TO AN ASSET MAP WITH THAT. WE ALSO EVALUATED JOINT FACILITY AND LAND USE OPPORTUNITIES. FOR EXAMPLE, WE LOOKED AT WAYS TO WORK TOGETHER WITH THE ROBERTS FACILITY, THE ST. JOHN RECREATION CENTER AND PICKLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND A COUPLE PEOPLE INSTRUMENTAL IN MAKING THAT HAPPEN WERE MEL WAXLER AND CORA WRIGHT. WE TRIED TO CREATE COMMUNITY EVENTS. WE PARTNERED WITH THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE, THE HOOP ZONE, TO CREATE A SHERIFF'S SHOOT-OUT BUT CREATING THAT WE WERE ABLE TO REACH OUT TO BIG BROTHERS AND BIG SISTERS AND IDENTIFY STUDENTS IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND MENTORS FOR SOME OF THOSE STUDENTS. WE ALSO PARTNERED WITH KLRU AND THE CARVER MUSEUM TO HOST AN ECHOS OF COLOR FILM SERIES WHICH HOSTED SEVERAL DISCUSSED TO BUILD CULTURAL OPPORTUNITIES. WE PARTICIPATED IN THE AISD BUDGET PROCESS. WE SERVED ON THE MIDDLE SCHOOL REDESIGN COMMITTEE. WE ALSO WORKED WITH HIGH SCHOOL REDESIGN. WE WORKED DIRECTLY WITH FEBRUARIES OF PHI DELTA KAPA, A RETIRED TEACHER SORORITY AND PAUL CREWS. WE PARTNERS WITH SEVERAL PROFESSORS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AND GRADUATE STUDENTS AS TWO DEVELOP A MENTOR PROGRAM CALLED COBRA. WE'VE BEEN WORKING

AT MCCALUM, REAGAN, LBJ, PIERCE, AND SEVERAL OTHER SCHOOLS TO CREATE DIRECT MENTOR OPPORTUNITIES AND THE CITY OF AUSTIN HELPED A GREAT DEAL BUT ALLOWING EMPLOYEES TO VOLUNTEER AS MENTORS WITHIN THE SCHOOLS. WE PARTNERED WITH LINDA IN PARTICULAR TO TRY TO FIND SUMMER EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS THAT ARE INTERESTED IN WORKING. SO A NUMBER OF INITIATIVES WERE CREATED THROUGH PROCESS. WE WORKED TO CREATE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR SKILLS DEVELOPMENT. WE WORKED WITH THE COMMUNITY MENTOR INITIATIVE, PARTICULARLY HAINES, NEILY, AND WORKED WITH JOAN OF THE TEXAS TRAVIS COUNTY REENTRY ROUNDTABLE AND THE AUSTIN AREA URBAN LEAGUE TO TRY TO DEVELOP WAYS TO FUND GED PREPARATION SERVICES AND JOB PREPARATION SERVICES FOR EXOFFENDERS. WE'VE FOCUSED ON LIFE SKILLS AND SUSTAINABILITY SKILLS AND WE'VE TRACKED BEST PRACTICES LITERATURE AS WELL. WE'VE IDENTIFIED INTERNALLY THROUGH THE CITY OF AUSTIN, JOB FAMILIES THAT ARE AVAILABLE FOR EMPLOYMENT THROUGH EXOFFENDERS. SO AS WE MOVE FORWARD, WE WILL CONTINUE TO TAKE THE PATH THAT WE HAVE GONE UPON, AND CONTINUE TO BUILD COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS AND CONTINUE TO TRY TO MAKE THESE INITIATIVES GAIN STEAM. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, JEFF. WELCOME.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MAYOR AND COUNCIL. ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER HOFFMAN. I'M JANET JONES, COURAGELY ACTING DIRECTOR OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND I'M HERE TO PREPARE THE INITIATIVE OF HEALTH. I WOULD LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE A MEMBER OF OUR COMMITTEE WHO WORKED HARD WITH US IN INITIATING THESE INITIATIVES. THERE ARE NINE CATEGORIES IN HEALTH, THERE WAS ONE ADDED AFTER THE FACT BY THE COMMUNITY BECAUSE THEY FELT IT WAS ONE THAT NEEDED TO BE ADDRESSED. I'M HAPPY TO REPORT ALSO THAT ALL NINE ARE CURRENTLY IMPLEMENTED OR UNDER WAY, IN THAT SENSE THEY ARE ON GOING. THERE ARE THREE BASIC AREAS WHICH OUR EMPHASIS HAS BEEN ON. FIRST IS THE WHOLE AREA OF HEALTH DISPARITIES AWARENESS. I WANT TO REMIND THAT YOU AFRICAN-AMERICANS IN AUSTIN RANK FIRST IN 10 OF THE 15 LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH SO IN AND EFFORT TO ADDRESS THIS, OUR COMMUNITY HAS WORKED AT ADDRESSING THOSE DISPARITIES AND HELPING THE COMMUNITY UNDERSTAND. IN MANY OF THOSE AREAS THESE ARE BEHAVIOR AND/OR PRACTICES IN OUR COMMUNITY THAT WE ARE DERIVING THROUGH OUT REACHES. DISPARITIES IN TRAVIS COUNTY ARE GREATER THAN OTHER PARTS OF TEXAS SO IT IS CRITICAL IN MAKES MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN OUR COMMUNITY. WE FOCUS ON COMMUNITY-BASED PROGRAMS. IT IS IMPORTANT THE EFFORTS WE TAKE TO EDUCATE AND WORK WITH THE COMMUNITIES, ACROSS THE COMMUNITY, ARE CRITICAL. MANY PROGRAMS WE HAVE IN OUR COMMUNITIES BUT THEY ARE NOT TARGETED OR FOCUSING ON THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITIES SO WORKING WITH THESE PROVIDERS IT WOULD ENABLE US TO ENHANCE OUR PROGRAMS. WE FOUND IT ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY TO BRING INTO THOSE TARGETED AREAS WHERE AFRICAN-AMERICANS WERE AND DISPARITY EXISTS, PROGRAMS THAT PARTNERS WITH OUR EFFORTS AND ONE OF THE BIG EFFORTS WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO UNDERTAKE IS STEPS FOR A A HEALTHIER AUSTIN. WE HAVE SCREENING, SERVICE AND BEHAVIOR

MODIFICATIONS THAT WILL ADDRESS MANY HEALTH DISPARITIES IDENTIFIED IN OUR FINDINGS AND IN OUR INITIATIVE. I WOULD LIKE TO TALK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THE SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATION AND HIGHLIGHT SIX OF THOSE MAJOR ONES THAT WE'RE HAPPY TO ANNOUNCE. FIRST OF ALL, THE IMPLEMENTATION AND OPENING OF A NEW CLINIC IN THE ST. JOHN'S AREA. THIS CLINIC WAS OPENED IN 2005, LATTER PART -- CLINIC WAS OPENED IN 2005, LATTER PART, AND IT IS TARGETED TO OF A WAN AFRICAN-AMERICANS. OF ALL THE CLINICS IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN AND TRAVIS COUNTY, THIS CLINIC HAS THE LARGEST NUMBER OF AFRICAN-AMERICANS AND WE ARE HAPPY TO ANNOUNCE THAT TREND CONTINUES. THE SECOND AREA WE ARE FOCUSED ON IS MOBIL OUT REACH TARGETED COMMUNITIES. WHAT WE SAW VERY CLEARLY IN THE DATA WAS THERE ARE PARTICULAR AREAS WE NEED TO TARGET OUR EFFORTS AND THOSE OF ZIP CODE SPECIFIC. WE GO INTO THOSE AREAS AND PROVIDE THE SERVICES IN AREAS WITH THAT HEALTH DISEASE, HIV/AIDS, THESE SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE TO ALL CITIZENS WITH THE FOCUS ON THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY. THE THIRD AREA IS WORKING WITH ISDs. AUSTIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, THROUGHVILLE, MAY NOR AND DELL VALLEY. WE WORK TO PROVIDE SERVICES AFTERNOON COLLABORATING WITH THOSE EFFORTS IN PROVIDING OUT REACH SERVICES THROUGH MARKETING AND A VARIETY OF AREAS TO ADDRESS THE DISPARITIES WE'VE IDENTIFIED. THE WHOLE CONCEPT OF AWARENESS AND EFFORTS TO DO THIS, WE DEVELOPED POWER BY ME CAMPAIGN TO TARGET YOUNG PEOPLE TO GET THEM ACTIVE AND MOBIL IN EFFORTS WE ARE TRYING TO DO. WE ALSO HAVE A PROGRAM CALLED HEALTH TALK TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TO OUR COMMUNITY ON OUR EFFORTS AND HEALTH INFORMATION EFFORTS. THE FIFTH AREA, ONE OF THE -- FIFTH AREA, ONE OF THE BIGGEST ISSUES WAS MENTAL HEALTH. THE FAIL FAILURE TO UNDERSTAND SO WE WORK TO PROVIDE REFERRAL SERVICES AND SCREENING AND OTHER TIVES WITH SUBSTANCE ABUSE THROUGH THE OUT REACH EFFORTS. AND FINALLY, WORKING IN THE INDIVIDUAL COMMUNITIES TO TARGET ASSOCIATED COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION, CHURCHES, AND TO COMBAT THINGS SUCH AS OBESITY, ASTHMA IN OUR COMMUNITIES. THOSE ARE THE AREAS WHERE THE GREATEST DISPARITIES ARE AND THROUGH WORKING WITH COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS, CHURCHES, WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO ADDRESS THE OUTCOMES WE ARE LOOKING FOR. WHAT WE'VE SEEN OVER THE LAST TWO TO THREE YEAR IS AS GRADUAL DECREASE IN THE MORBIDITY WE ARE SEEING IN THE COMMUNITY AND OUR HE CAN, IS THE MORTALITY WILL FOLLOW. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR EFFORTS AND WE BELIEVE OUR EFFORTS HAVE BEEN A MODEL. WE HAVE REQUESTS FROM AROUND THE DRY LOOK AT WHAT WE ARE DOING SO WE THINK OUR EXAMPLE HAS WORKED REAL WELL AND THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

THANK YOU, MR. JONES. WELCOME, MISS THANK YOU.

GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS SHAW. PAUL LED THE EFFORT WITH THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN QUALITY OF LIFE AND I WOULD LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE HIS EFFORTS IN LEADERSHIP WITH THIS. I'M PLEASED TO REPORT ON NEIGHBORHOOD SUSTAINABILITY, WE WERE TAG,ED WITH 10 INITIATIVES. ALL HAVE BEEN IMPLEMENTED OR COMPLETED. THOSE 10 INITIATIVES FELL UNDER FOUR BROAD CATEGORY, EDUCATING THE PUBLIC ON HOME

BUYER EDUCATION AND FORECLOSURE PREVENTION. WHERE RENTS AND SALES PRICES ARE RISING FASTER. CREATING JOBS. INSERTING AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT FOREIGN LOW INCOME FAMILIES AND INDIVIDUALS THROUGH OUR PARTNERSHIPS WITH NONPROFIT AND PRIVATE DEVELOPERS. I WOULD LIKE TO HIGHLIGHT A HANDFUL OF INITIATIVES THAT SUPPORT THOSE THEMES. 450 PEOPLE HAVE PARTICIPATED IN OUR PROGRAM, OVER 20% OF WHOM WERE AFRICAN-AMERICAN. AS YOU THE RECALL, THE CITIZENS OF AUSTIN POLICED BLESSED US WITH A \$55 MILLION PACT FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSE WIG THIS COUNCIL COMMITTED \$11 MILLION TO 390 UNITS OF APARTMENTS AND HOMES FOR PEOPLE ON AVERAGE EARNING LESS THAN \$30,000 A YEAR. FIVE OF THOSE PROJECTS ARE LOCATED IN EAST AUSTIN IN ORDER TO ENSURE THOSE FAMILIES CAN STAY IN THAT NEIGHBORHOOD. OUR BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS, OUR LOAN PROGRAMS AND PARTNERSHIPS WITH THE RENEWAL BOARD AND AUSTIN REVITALIZATION AUTHORITY, WE'VE CREATED 120 JOBS IN EAST AUSTIN FOR LOW INCOME INDIVIDUALS. AND LAST BUT NOT LEAST THIS COUNCIL PASSED LAST WINTER SOME DENSITY BONUS INITIATIVES BASED ON AFFORDABLE HOUSING TASK FORCE AND QUALITY OF LIFE INITIATIVES THAT ARE HELPING TO BRING AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND BLEND THAT IN PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT IN DOWNTOWN AND OTHER COMMUNITIES IN THE CITY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

THANK YOU, MISS SHAW. WELCOME CHIEF HOLT.

GOOD AFTERNOON, I'M CO-CHAIR OF SAFETY. WE WILL TALK ABOUT REVISIONS MADE ON THE POLICY. WE WAS CALLED ON TO REVISE THE USE OF FORCE POLICY SO IN 2005 WE BEGAN UPDATING THE USE OF FORCE POLICY. WE ADOPTED IT FROM A REVIEW COMMITTEE AND IN 2006 WE IMPLEMENTED THE POLICY TO OUR STREET TACTICS COURSE. JANUARY 2008, WE IMPLEMENTED THE POLICY DEPARTMENT WIDE THROUGH A REVISED DEFENSIVE TACTICS TRAINING AND REFRESHER MODEL. THE WORDS USE OF FORCE HAS BEEN REPLACED WITH RESPONSE TO RESISTANCE TWO ADDITIONS HAVE BEEN ADDED TO THE POLICY. IT ENSURE CONSISTENCY AND THE INVESTIGATIVE PHASE PUSHES ACCOUNT. TO THE FIRST LINE SUPERVISOR LEVEL. OUR INTERNAL AFFAIRS OVER SEES IN THAT AREA. THEY WILL CONTINUE TO INVESTIGATE THE CASES THAT ARE MORE IN DEPTH THAN A SUPERVISOR CAN HANDLE. THE CULTURE COMPETENCY TRAINING OBJECTIVE WAS TO IMPLEMENT TRAINING THAT FOCUSED ON CULTURAL SENSITIVITY. THE TRAINING WAS CONDUCTED BY LOCAL FEMALE OWNED BUSINESS AND WITH AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY AND MOST FOUND THAT TO BE BENEFICIAL TO THEM. POLICE AND COMMUNICATION PERSONNEL WAS TRAINED THROUGH INTERACTIVE ROLE PLAY AND TRAFFIC STOP AND OTHER EVENTS THAT ARE IN TOWN BY THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY. WE TRAINED 129 POLICE OFFICERS AND DISPATCH PERSONNEL AND 72 COMMUNITY MEMBERS. PROFILING. THE CURRENT SENSITIVITY TRAINING, OR AT THAT TIME WAS FOR PROFILING, JUNE 2006, THE PROGRAM ENDED WITH TRAINING 1347 OFFICERS AND ALONG CAN W THAT THEY COMPLETED A COURSE EVALUATION. ACT 2007, WE HAD A MODIFIED CLASS WHICH WAS CONDUCTED. WE TRAINED ABOUT 350 NONSWORN POLICE PERSONNEL AND THESE WERE DISPATCHERS AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE DEPARTMENT. THE MOD FILED

TRAINING WAS IN SEPTEMBER 2007. THE PROFILING IS A NATIONWIDE CURRICULUM AND USED BY SEVERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES NATION WIDE. THE COMMUNITY PROGRAM, THEY GO INTO THE COMMUNITY AND MAKE FACE-TO-FACE CONTACT TO LEARN THE HISTORY AND CREATE A DIALOGUE. A IS FILMED FOR TRAINING. THE COMMUNITY EMERGENT PROGRAM EVALUATE SITUATION CURRENTLY ON GOING. COMMUNITY OUT REACH. THE AUSTIN PUBLIC DEPARTMENT OUT REACH HAS DEVELOPED 306 INTERACTION IN SEVERAL PROGRAMS. THE STRANGER DANGER PROGRAM, BOYS AND GIRL SCOUT AS PROGRAM, WE HAVE CRIME SCENE INVESTIGATION GOING ON AT THE HIGH SCHOOL, WE HAVE RESTORE HOPE, NATIONAL NIGHT OUT, EAST SIDE STORY, AND THE COMMUNITY EMERGING PROGRAM WHICH I JUST SPOKE ABOUT IN 2007, EAST SIDE STORY HAS SEEN 696 KIDS DOING A NATIONAL NIGHT OUT, OVER 400 PARTIES IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN. NEXT WE TALK ABOUT THE GUNS ADVISORY PROGRAM THIS PROGRAM WAS DESIGNED AND IT WAS DESIGNED IN 2005. IN JUNE OF 2005 WE TRAINED SUPERVISORS IN THE PROGRAM. WE HAD SERGEANTS AND LIEUTENANTS TO EVALUATE THE PROGRAM. IN 2006, THE KEY DESIGN OF THE PROGRAM WAS COMPLETED. IN 2006 IT WAS ACCESSIBLE TO SUPERVISORS. THERE IS COMMISSION, USE OF FORCE, USE OF SICK LEAVE AND COMPLAINTS. THE PROGRAM PREPARES A REPORT FOR THE SUPERVISOR TO REVIEW TWICE A MONTH. THEN WE TALK ABOUT DIVERSITY. MORE AFRICAN-AMERICANS INTO THE DECISION-MAKING ROLE. WE IMPLEMENTED A PROCESS IN, WHICH TO PROVIDE SEMI AND WALL REPORTS TO THE COMMUNITY, THE CHIEF OF POLICE AND THE CITY MANAGER AT THEIR REQUEST. WE HAVE WORKED AFRICAN-AMERICANS TO STEP INTO THE DECISION MAKING ROLE. OUR SERGEANTS, WHICH ARE FIRST-LINE SUPERVISOR, ARE DECISION-MAKERS. IN 2007 WE HAD 24 AFRICAN-AMERICANS IN THE SUPERVISE ROLE OR DECISION-MAKING ROLE. IN 2008 WE HAD 23 AFRICAN-AMERICANS IN THAT SAME ROLE DUE TO THE FACT THAT ONE OF OUR COMMANDERS RETIRED. WE WOULD ALSO NEED TO BE MINDFUL WHEN IT COMES DOWN TO PROMOTING AFRICAN-AMERICANS, THE CIVIL SERVICE PLAY AS ROLE IN THAT. IN CONCLUSION, THE USE OF FORCE POLICY WAS REVISED IN 2005, WE ADOPTED IT FORMERLY IN A COMMITTEE IN 2006, IT WAS IMPLEMENTED WITH THE DEPARTMENT, AND RESPONSE TO RESISTANCE WILL BE REPLACED IN REPLACING THE WORDS USE OF FORCE. ALONG WITH THAT, THE BUT THE PROGRAM HAS FIVE INDICATORS AND SENDS OUT A REPORT EVERY TWO WEEKS. THAT CONCLUDES MY REPORT.

THANK YOU, CHIEF HOLT. I THINK EARLIER, CHIEF MACDONALD MENTIONED THAT NELSON WOULD LIKE TO FRAME THIS FROM THE COMMUNITY PERSPECTIVE AS WELL. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, MAYOR AND COUNCIL AND ALSO MY FELLOW HARD WORK ARE COMMISSIONERS WHO HAVE WORKED TO MAKE A DENT IN THIS PROCESS. WHEN WE STARTED IN 2005, CLEARLY WE HAD A VERY DIFFERENT ATMOSPHERE. WE HAD TENSE POLICE/COMMUNITY RELATIONS, OBVIOUS LET'S THE IMAGE OF THE -- OBVIOUSLY THE IMAGE OF THE CITY WAS NOT WHAT WE WANTED IT TO,. IT WAS LILLIE WHITE TO THE WORLD BUT NOT TO THE FOLKS THAT LIVE HERE. WE'VE CHANGED SOME OF THAT, I WANT TO CAUTION FOLKS DESPITE THE CHANGES THERE AS MUCH WORK TO BE DONE. I WANT TO COMMEND YOU FOR HAVING THE COURAGE TO, FIRST OF ALL, INITIATE THIS PROCESS IT

TALK WISDOM, FORESIGHT AND COURAGE. BUT THE REAL CHALLENGE IS DO WE HAVE THE POLITICAL FORD TUESDAY SUSTAIN THE INITIAL PASSION. IN OUR OPINIONS, THESE TESTS DON'T EVER GET COMPLETED. YOU CAN'T COMPLETE THESE KIND OF DISCREPANCIES, YOU CAN ADDRESS THEM BUT COMPLETING A TASK DOES NOT COMPLETE THE PROCESS. THESE ARE ON GOING ISSUES AND LIKE A PEND THEY MAY SWING LEFT AND RIGHT OR BACK AND FORTH AT ANY GIVEN TIME SO I WOULD ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO NOT TALK ABOUT COMPLETION BUT THINK ABOUT CONTINUOUS WORK. THIS IS GOING TO BE CONTINUOUS WORK. I WANT TO BE VERY SPECIFIC OVERALL. I WANT TO THANK SHARON JONES FOR THE WORK IN THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT. THEY IDENTIFIES DISPARITIES AND WITH PASSION WEDGE INTO THE COMMUNITY FOR SOLUTIONS. I CAN'T SAY ENOUGH ABOUT THEIR WORK IN THE CITY AND IN THIS COUNTRY, THEIR PASSION, IN MY OPINION, MADE A HUGE DIFFERENCE IN HAVING DISPARITIES ADDRESSED. I WANT TO THANK LISA FOR HER WORK IN OR THES AND CULTURE. I MIGHT WANT TO ADD THERE ARE MANY CHALLENGES THAT REMAIN IT WILL REQUIRE YOUR SUPPORT AND VISION AND MOST OF ALL YOUR FUNNELS SO IT IS NOT COMPLETED, IT IS A CONTINUOUS PROCESS. AND HOUSING THE CITY IS STILL CIT COMPANY WE MADE A DENT, IT IS LIKE HAVING A SMALL RIPPLE IN THE OCEAN, THE WORK HASN'T BEGUN YET SO WE HAVE TO CONTINUE ABOUT CONTINUE US WORK. TO MY COLLEAGUE CHIEF HODT, CLEARLY WE HAD A GREAT POLICE DEPARTMENT, NOBODY CAN QUESTION THAT. THEY COMMUNICATE, THEY ARE OUT IN THE STREETS, THEY TALK WITH PEOPLE AND WE RESPECT WHAT THEY DO. THAT IS PROBABLY THE GREATEST ACCOMPLISHMENT, INCIDENTS ARE DOWN, PEOPLE LIKE THE POLICE CHIEF, HE IS VISIBLE, AND MOST OF ALL THEY LIKE THE WORK YOU ARE DOING IN THIS CITY. THOSE THINGS SPEAK VOLUMES. HOWEVER, ECONOMIC DEVELOP. , ONE OF OUR CRITICAL AREAS IN THIS CITY, HAS INTO THE BEEN ADDRESSED. THE WORK THERE IS EFFICIENT. IT WILL TAKE A LOT OF INVESTMENT TO SUPPORT SMALL BLACK BUSINESS OWNERS. THEY FEEL FRUSTRATED AND IGNORED. HOW DO WE CREATE ATE PASSION. BECAUSE YOU CAN'T DO THIS KIND OF WORK WITHOUT PASSION. CAN'T BE A POLICY BUT FOLKS THAT HAVE PASSION. WITHOUT PASSION WE CAN'T ADDRESS THOSE KIND OF DISPARITIES. EMPLOYMENT EDUCATION. WE CAN'T MAKE THIS PROCESS TOTALLY ISOLATED. EDUCATION IS LINKED TO OUR CITY. RIGHT NOW, EAST AUSTIN SCHOOLS, THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT CLOSING PIERCE SCHOOL, WITHOUT EDUCATION IN EVERY PART OF THIS CITY THIS WHOLE PROCESS IS IMPOSSIBLE. I WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU TO USE YOUR POWER TO ENCOURAGE OUR SCHOOL DISTRICT TO MAKE A GREAT INVESTMENT IN EAST AUSTIN SCHOOLS. LIKE QUALITY TEACHING,ED A MEN THAT BELIEVE IN OUR -- ADMINISTRATION THAT BELIEVE IN OUR KIDS THAT ANYBODY CAN LEARN. THAT IS PASSION, YOU CAN'T PUT THAT INTO A POLICY. IN CLOSING, I WOULD ENCOURAGE EVERYBODY HERE TO REALIZE OUR WORK HAS JUST BEGUN. UNTIL YOU SEE THE PASSION, AND THE COMMITMENT ON EVERY LEVEL, AND SEE THE RESULTS ON EVERY LEVEL, IT IS NOT GOING TO CHANGE THE PERSPECTIVE. I CAN SAY, HAVING BEEN THERE, THINGS ARE CHANGED. WE HAVE A LOT TO BE PROUD OF HERE, WE HAVE A GREAT CITY COUNCIL, WE ARE IN THE MIDST OF CHANGE BUD I'M A LITTLE PERLED BY WHAT I I SEE SOMETIMES, TOO MUCH COMPLACENCY. HAVE.

DIRECT LINE TO YOUR CONSTITUENTS. THANK YOU FOR SUSTAINING THIS WHOLE PROCESS AND FOR SUPPORTING US WITH THE WORK WE'RE TRYING TO DO IN THIS CITY.

THANK YOU.

THANK YOU.

THAT CONCLUDES THE PRESENTATION. BUT WE CERTAINLY WILL TAKE ANY QUESTIONS THAT COUNCIL WOULD HAVE.

QUESTIONS? COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ.

THANKS, MAYOR. I JUST WANTED TO THANK EVERYONE FOR THE LAST THREE YEARS, THE HARD WORK THAT EVERYONE HAS PUT INTO THIS. I TRULY BELIEVE THIS ISN'T THE END THIS ISN'T A STOPPING POINT. WHAT WE'VE CREATEA GOOD START. WE'RE NOT THERE. HE JUST SPOKE THOUGH THAT, BUT WE HAVE DONE SOME GREAT THINGS AND THINGS HAVE CHANGED A LITTLE BIT FOR THE BETTER, BUT YOU KNOW, IT IS NOT TIME TO REST ON OUR LAURELS, IT IS TIME TO WORK EVEN HARDER IN MY OPINION BECAUSE NOW WE'VE SEEN SOME OF THE FRUITS OF OUR LABOR THAT WE CAN DO THAT SO I WILL BE LOOKING TO YOU ALL AS WE MOVE FORWARD WITH THE HISPANIC QUALITY OF LIFE REPORT THAT I'M GOING ASK COUNCIL TO EMBARK UPON ON THIS NEXT YEAR. I THINK THAT YOU GUYS HAVE A WEALTH OF KNOWLEDGE THAT COULD BE OF GREAT HELP TO US IN GETTING THROUGH THIS PROCESS, AND THEN JOINTLY, I THINK WE PUT BOTH OF THOSE REPORTS TOGETHER AND WE KEEP WORKING. SO I JUST WANT TO THANK CHIEF MacDONALD AND ALL THE STAFF AND EVERYONE WHO VOLUNTEERED THEIR TIME AND ENERGY. APPRECIATE YOUR EFFORTS.

COUNCIL MEMBER, KIM.

I THINK THIS IS INCREDIBLE, INCREDIBLY GREAT WORK, AND IT HAS BEEN A CULMINATION OF MANY HOURS, VOLUNTEER HOURS AND I REALLY APPRECIATE EVERYONE'S TIME AND ENERGY BUT ALSO JUST REACHING OUT TO ALL PARTS OF THIS COMMUNITY TO GET THEIR IDEAS AND FEEDBACK. AND THE ONE -- THERE ARE A LOT MUCH GREAT IDEAS IN HERE AND THE ONES I WAS STRUCK BUT AS REAL PERFORM AND I WOULD LIKE TO HELP WITH IF YOU ARE GOING TO WORK ON THEM WAS HELP REFERRAL SERVICE, WITH THE MOBIL VAN, THAT IS SOMETHING WE CAN DEFINITELY GET THE WORD OUT THAT IT IS OKAY TO REFER PEOPLE THAT YOU KNOW IN YOUR FAMILY THAT NEED SERVICES AND TO GET THEM THAT CARE THAT THEY NEED. ESPECIALLY WHEN LIFE EVENTS HAPPEN AND, YOU KNOW, THEY ARE NOT READY TO DO THAT FOR THEMSELVES. THE BUSINESS AND CULTURAL DISTRICT, I THINK IT IS A FABULOUS IDEA, I WOULD LOVE TO SEE IT HAPPEN AND HELP YOU WITH FINDING THE FUNDING AND SUPPORT FOR THAT AND SMALL BUSINESSES IN AUSTIN THAT ARE AFRICAN-AMERICAN OWNED PROPOSED AS WELL AS LOOK-ESTABLISHED AFRICAN-AMERICAN BUSINESSES, I DON'T THINK AUSTIN WOULD BE THE SAME WITHOUT THEM AND I

WOULD LOVE IT SEE THE OPPORTUNITY TO GROW THAT FOR OUR COMMUNITY. THE HEALTH DISPARITIES IN A THAT WERE MENTIONED, SOMETHING I'M WORKING ON THAT WILL HELP THE WHOLE COMMUNITY IS FOCUSED SPECIFICALLY ON THE MILLER REDEVELOPMENT AND I WOULD LIKE YOUR ASSISTANCE TO REACH OUT TO AFRICAN-AMERICAN FAMILIES THAT ARE MOVING THERE TO HAVE THEM PARTICIPATE IN THAT PROGRAM TO DEUCE OBESITY AND DIABETES AND HEART DISEASE, IT IS A WALKABLE ENVIRONMENT WITH THREE PARKS AND HEALTH SERVICES THERE WITH CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL, THE ACADEMIC HEALTH CENTER AND I THINK THIS IS SOMETHING WE COULD REALLY BENEFIT FROM NATIONALLY IN HELPING TO LEARN WHAT MAKES A HEALTHY COMMUNITY. ALSO, THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING INITIATIVE. I WOULD LOVE IT TON TO WORK ON THAT WITH YOU AND USING OUR BOND DOLLARS AND ALSO OTHER CREATIVE WAYS TO FIND AFFORDABLE HOUSING, ESPECIALLY FOR EXISTING NEIGHBORHOODS THAT ARE AFRICAN-AMERICAN TO MAKE SURE THEY CAN STAY TOGETHER AND AS THEIR FAMILIES GROW OR CHILDREN GROW UP THEY CAN ALSO FIND A HOUSING THAT IS WITHIN THEIR MEANS. SO I THINK THESE ARE ALL WONDERFUL IDEAS AND I'M REALLY ENCOURAGED BY THESE, THE PROGRESS THAT YOU'VE MADE OVER THE COURSE OF SEVERAL YEARS.

MAYOR PRO TEM.

THE LEADERSHIP ROLE IN THIS INITIATIVE AND ALL OUR DEPARTMENT HEADS THAT SUPPORTED YOU BUT JUST AS IMPORTANTLY TO THE COMMUNITY WHO REALLY PITCHED IN AND CAME UP WITH A GOOD REPORT AND THANK GOODNESS THE COUNCIL WAS ABLE TO PROVIDE SOME FUNDING TO GET THESE INITIATIVES GOING AND WE DO NEED TO SUSTAIN THEM BUT I JUST WANT TO THANK ALL OF YOU FOR A JOB VERY WELL DONE. THANK YOU.

I HAVE A QUESTION FOR, BEFORE I TURN IT OVER TO COUNCIL MEMBER COLE. ON THE HEALTH SIDE, IT WAS SORT OF FORTUNE NATIONAL TIMING, COMPLIMENTARY TIMING I GUESS, BUT I USED TO KNOW MORE ABOUT THE PROGRAM THAN I DO NOW, I APOLOGIZE, BUT WE HAD BEGUN OUR STEPS TO A HEALTHIER AUSTIN PROGRAM THROUGH THE CDC GRANT WHERE BY WE WERE, I KNOW, DEMONSTRATING WITH CENSUS DATA AND OTHERS, YOU KNOW, THE DISPARITY ON THE HEALTH SIDE AS YOU POINTED OUT PARTICULARLY WITH AFRICAN-AMERICANS, THE NET WAS IN ABOUT 40% OF THE GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF TRAVIS COUNTY, YOU KNOW, THERE WAS 25% HIGHER MORTALITY RATE, SIGNIFICANTLY HIGHER HYPERTENSION, DIABETES, OBESIT SO WE HAD A FAIR AMOUNT OF GROWING DATA ON THAT ABOUT THE TIME WE KICKED OFF THE QUALITY OF LIFE INITIATIVES HAND YOUR HEALTH COMMITTEE. REMIND ME, WHAT HAS BECOME OF THE DATA THAT WE WERE COLLECTING WITH STEPS AND SOME OF THE STEPS PROGRAMS SPECIFIC OUT REACH THAT IN THEORY WAS TO THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY. HOW HAS THAT HOPEFULLY COMPLIMENTED SOME OF YOUR COMMITTEE'S WORK?

ACTUALLY MAYOR WHAT HAS HAPPENED IS THE STEPS HAVE MADE A MAJOR PORTION IN TERMS OF SUPPORTING THE FUNDING WE'VE DONE. MOST OF THE ISSUES WE'VE TALKED ABOUT ARE RELATED TO OBESITY, DIET, LACK OF FITNESS AND OTHER THINGS SOME OF

THROUGH THE STEPS DOLLARS WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO IN THOSE TARGET AREAS WHERE AFRICAN-AMERICANS LIVE AND OPERATE, WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO PROVIDE COOKING CLASS, FITNESS PROGRAMS, SO THOSE DOLLARS HAVE HELPED REACH THE GOALS WE'VE BEEN TALKING ABOUT. AS YOU'VE INDICATED, THOSE DOLLARS AS WELL'S THOSE WE GOT FROM THE CITY, WERE ABLE THROUGH, TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN TERMS OF THOSE TARGETED AREAS. SO THOSE AREAS ARE COMENTION HE WILLED AND THOSE HE HAVE FORDS BEEN COMINGLED IN THOSING THOSE ISSUES.

IT IS IT EARLY IN THE DATA OF SCIENCE AND HEALTH, IS IT TOO EARLY TO SEE ANY RULES FROM THOSE SPECIFIC PROGRAMS YET ON THE ACTUAL LEVELS OF, YOU KNOW, ADULT ON SET DIABETES OR HYPERTENSION OR EVEN MORTALITY IN GENERAL.

IT IS VERY EARLY TO SEE THE TOTE AT OUTCOME BUT WHAT WE ARE TRYING TO DO IS SEE MORE PEOPLE PARTAKING IN SERVICES SO MORE SCREENING IS BEING DONE, MORE CLASSES ARE BEING OFFERED, MORE PEOPLE ARE PARTICIPATING IN FITNESS PROGRAM. THE MORTALITY AND MORBIDITY WILL GO DOWN. WE ARE SEEING MORE CHILDREN PARTICIPATING AND AS A RESULT BODY WEIGHT IS BEGINNING TO COME DOWN IN TERMS OF SOME SCHOOL DISTRICTS, WE ARE BEING ABLE TO SEE THE DEATH DUE TO HEART DISEASE, THE NUMBERS ARE GRADUALLY GOING DOWN. THE CASES OF EMERGENCIES ARE HAVING SOME IMPACT POSITIVELY. WE ARE SEEING VERY PRELIMINARY DATA. OUR HOPE EMPTY NEXT FIVE YEARS WE ARE HOPE TOO SEE A TURN AROUND AND OUR EXPECTATIONS WILL BE THEY WILL BE REDUCED.

REMINDE ME, IT SEEMED LIKE THE ORIGINAL STEPS PROGRAM. THIS IS A UNIQUE PROGRAM IN THAT FOR THE FIRST TIME I THINK EVER THE CDC HAD ACTUALLY GIVEN GRANT MONEY TO CITIES OPPOSED THROUGH STATE HEALTH DEPARTMENTS AND WE WERE ONE OF FIVE OR SEVEN CITIES.

ACTUALLY 12 CITY, WE WERE ONE OF 12 CITIES WHO RECEIVED THOSE DOLLARS.

I GUESS THE PROGRAM HAD A FINITE LIFE.

WE ARE IN OUR LAST YEAR NOW AND WE WERE ABLE TO INCORPORATE WHAT WE WERE TRYING TO DO IN OTHER PROGRAMS SO IT WOULD NOT BE A ONE-TIME OPPORTUNITY BUT IN TELLS OF THE WAY DO WE BUSINESS, THE PARTNERS WITH WORK WITH AND THE COMMUNITY AS A HOLE. OUR EXPECTATIONS IS THIS WILL CONTINUE EVEN THOUGH THE DOLLARS FROM THE FED WILL NOT BE THERE.

THANK YOU. FURTHER COMMENTS. COUNCIL MEMBER COLE.

WE KNOW THAT THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY HAS EXPERIENCED A LONG HISTORY OF STRUGGLE AND I THINK THAT WE WOULD BE AMISS TO NOT RECOGNIZE THAT WE'RE IF A DIFFERENT PLACE NOW THAN WE WERE WHEN THIS INITIATIVE WAS FIRST LAUNCHED. AND

MORE IMPORTANTLY, NOT TO RECOGNIZE THAT TOBY WAS A MAJOR FORCE BEHIND THIS EFFORT. I'M ESPECIALLY PROUD OF OUR STAFF FOR STICKING WITH THIS AND MORE IMPORTANTLY OUR COMMUNITY LEADERS FOR TAKING TIME OUT OF THEIR BUSY SCHEDULE AND TAKING TIME TO DEDICATE TO THIS EFFORT. ASTIN TO GROWS AND PROSPER, I THINK IT IS SIGNIFICANT THAT OUR COUNCIL, THE COMMITMENTS HERE TODAY, HAVE MADE A DECISION TO NOT LET THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY NOT BE INCLUDED IN THAT PROSPERITY OR FOR US TO TAKE ACTIONS TO DO ALL DUE DILIGENCE FOR US NOT TO BE LEAF BEHIND. I'M COMMITTED TO THAT, I'M WORKING WITH YOU ON THIS INITIATIVE INTO THE FUTURE WHETHER I'M ON THIS COUNCIL OR NOT. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU. FURTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS OF OUR TEAM? AND CHIEF, I TRUST THAT THIS FINAL REPORT THEN IS AVAILABLE ON-LINE.

YES.

AND MIGHT EVEN BE AVAILABLE PERHAPS IN OUR CITY FACILITIES OR LIBRARIES SO FOLK CONSISTENCY THE RECOMMENDATIONS AND THE OUTPUT, AGAIN, OF COURSE I HATE CALLING THIS A FINAL REPORT BUT IT FINAL DOCUMENTATION OF THESE RECOMMENDATIONS ANT RECOMMENDATIONS AND THE ACTIONS BASED ON THEM.

THAT IS CORRECT, THE PRESENTATION TODAY WAS THE HIGHLIGHTS OF THE REPORT AND THE COMPREHENSIVE REPORT WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE ON-LINE AND WE WILL MAKE COPIES AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

FURTHER COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS OF OUR TEAM? CHIEF, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU TO EVERYBODY. JUST BY LOOKING AT THE LEVEL OF LEADERSHIP, FROM THE LEADERSHIP TEAM WITHIN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, I THINK IT DID SPEAK HIGHLY OF THE CITY MANAGER TO HAVE THIS LEVEL OF CITY EMPLOYEE INVOLVEMENT AND OF COURSE BE TEAMED SO WELL WITH FOLKS HAD IN THE COMMUNITY, I THINK THIS HAS BEEN A REMARKABLE ACHIEVEMENT TO DATE.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH.

THANK YOU. SO COUNCIL, LET'S SEE. CHANGE LEAVES US WITH ONE POTENTIAL ACTION ITEM PRIOR TO OUR 4:00 ZONING MATTERS.

WE TOOK UP ITEM 72 WHICH ARE LEGAL ISSUES REGARDING DEVELOPMENT APPLICABLE TO THE BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH PROPERTY, WE HAVE HAD THAT PRESENCE NATION CLOSED SESSION. I'M SORRY, IF FOLKS WOULDN'T MIND TAKING YOUR CONVERSATION TO THE FOYER, WE WOULD APPRECIATE IT. SO THE RELATED ACTION ITEM TO OUR LEGAL DISCUSSION IN CLOSED SESSION IS POSTED ON OUR ADEN NUMBER, ACTION ITEM NUMBER

106. SO PERHAPS A BRIEF PRESENTATION FROM STAFF THEN WE MIGHT HAVE SOME QUESTIONS AND POTENTIALLY TAKE ACTION. WELCOME MR. KNUCKLES.

GOOD AFTERNOON, COUNCIL.

IT IS TO RESOLVE RIGHTS CLAIMS BETHANY HAD TO THEIR LAND WHICH THEY BOUGHT AND OBTAINED ENTITLEMENTS ON. WHEN THEY WERE LATER SUBJECTED TO CITY OF AUSTIN JURISDICTION THEY CLAIMED VESTED RIGHTED ON THE FACT THEY HAD OP TAKENNED THOSE ENTITLEMENTS AND BEGUN CONSTRUCTION ON THE PROJECT BEFORE THEY WERE IN THE CITY. IN 1988 COUNCIL ADOPTED ORDINANCES FOR THAT CLAIM. THE CHURCH AGREEING TO PROVIDE A HIGHER LEVEL OF WATER QUALITY PROTECTION WITH THE NET EFFECT, ALTHOUGH THERE WILL BE ADDITIONAL DEVELOPMENT THAT WILL BE IMPROVED WATER QUALITY SO THE LEVEL OF POLLUTION AFTER THIS DEVELOPMENT OCCURS WILL BE LOWER THAN WHAT WOULD HAVE OCCURRED WITH THE STATUS QUO. AND WITH THAT, I WILL ANSWER ANY OF YOUR QUESTIONS, IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE WATER QUALITY. PAT MURPHY IS HERE TO ANSWER THOSE.

GREAT, THANK YOU. QUESTIONS OF STAFF, COUNCIL? I GUESS THE MAYOR PRO TEM AND I HAVE BEEN HERE LONG ENOUGH JUST LONG ENOUGH ON THE DAIS TO REMEMBER, YOU KNOW, THE SORT 6 MOVING PARTS OF THIS CASE OVER A SERIES OF POTENTIAL PAST ACTIONS BY THE CITY. STAFF DID A VERY DETAILED PRESENTATION IN CLOSED SESSION AS APPROPRIATELY BASED ON THE LEGAL ISSUES AND I WILL SAY I BECAME VERY COMFORTABLE WITH AS, MR. KNUCKLES POINTS OUT, WHAT IS A MEASURABLE REDUCTION OF THE POLLUTANTS THAT WOULD BE LEAVING THIS PROPERTY IF THE PROPERTY IS DEVELOPED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS PROPOSAL.

THE BEST WATER QUALITY WE'VE SEEN TO DATE SO I MOVE APPROVAL.

SECOND.

ONE MORE ITEM BEFORE WE GO ANY FURTHER. THERE IS ONE MINOR CORRECTION. ON PAGE 4, LINE 8, THERE IS AN APRIL 15 DATE THAT SHOULD BE APRIL 18.

AND MAYOR PRO TEM, YOU ACCEPT THAT AS APPROPRIATE CORRECTION AND COUNCIL MEMBER COLE SOME OF WE HAVE A MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER COLE TO APPROVE THIS ITEM AS PRESENTED AND CORRECTED BY STAFF. FURTHER COMMENTS? I WILL CHECK REAL QUICK. I KNOW WE HAPPEN TO HAVE THE PASTOR HERE IN CASE WE HAVE QUESTIONS, AND I DON'T BELIEVE, NO CITIZENS HAVE SIGNED UP TO GIVE US TESTIMONY.

MAYOR?

COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ.

I WANTED TO BRIEFLY SPEAK TO THE CHURCH AND TELL THEM HOW MUCH I APPRECIATE YOUR EFFORTS AND TAKING THE TIME TO SIT DOWN AND REALLY COME UP WITH A PROPOSAL THAT MEETS COMPATIBILITY STANDARDS AS NOT NEARLY AS DENSE IN TERMS OF HEIGHT NEXT TO A NEIGHBORHOOD, AND I KNOW THAT, YOU KNOW, THIS HAS BEEN A LONG EXHAUSTIVE PROCESS AND I CONGRATULATE YOU AND I HOPE YOU LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR NEW FACILITY THE AT YOUR CHURCH. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO COME DOWN AND MAKE SOME COMMENTS, PLEASE.

WELCOME.

GOOD TO BE HERE. MY NAME IS BILL KNIP, SENIOR PASTOR AT BETHANY LUTHERAN HEDGE WHERE I'VE SERVED FOR 31 YEARS AND ON BEHALF OF THE CONGREGATION AND THE FRIENDS OF BETHANY I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR PUBLIC SERVICE. PUBLIC SERVICE IS REALLY PUBLIC SERVICE, AND FOR THE OPPORTUNITY THAT WE HAVE AS A CONGREGATION ALSO TO WORK WITH YOU ON SOMETHING THAT HAS BEEN UNCERTAIN IN OUR LIFE AS THE PEOPLE GATHERED ON THAT SITE THE LAST 10 YEARS. AND I THINK THAT THE CLARITY NOW AND THE FOCUS THAT WILL BE ABLE TO HAVE WILL ASSIST US IN DOING WHAT EVERY WEEK PEOPLE AT BETHANY HEAR, YOU SERVE THE LORD AS YOU SERVE OTHERS. SO JUST ON BEHALF OF EVERYONE THAT HAS PUT BLOOD AND SWEAT AND PRAYER AND ENERGY INTO BEING WHAT WE BELIEVE WE'VE BEEN CALLED TO DO IS TO BE SERVANTS AND GOD'S PEOPLE IN AUSTIN, TEXAS. SO I DO WANT TO THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. MAYOR AND COUNCIL, AND MR. MARTINEZ, THANK YOU ALSO FOR THE COMMENTS. SO -- IT'S BEEN 10 YEARS. WE'VE GOT WORK TO DO. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, PASTOR. QUESTIONS OF THE PASTOR, COUNCIL? AGAIN, WE HAVE A MOTION AND A SOAKED THE TABLE APPROVING -- A MOTION AND A SECOND ON THE TABLE APPROVING THE CORRECTED ORDINANCE BEFORE US, ITEM NUMBER 106. FURTHER COMMENTS? HEARING NONE, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

Mayor Wynn: OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF SEVEN TO ZERO. THANK YOU ALL. SO COUNCIL, I BELIEVE THERE ARE NO MORE POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS BEFORE US UNTIL OUR 4:00 O'CLOCK TIME CERTAIN POSTING FOR ZONING CASES, SO WITHOUT -- AND WE HAVE CONCLUDED OUR EXECUTIVE SESSION AGENDA FOR THE DAY, SO WITHOUT OBJECTION WE NOW STAND IN RECESS. IT IS 3:17. I DO EXPECT TO CALL US BACK IN ORDER RIGHT AT 4:00. WE ARE NOW IN RECESS. THANK YOU. GENTLEMAN JUSTICE JUSTICE JUSTICE JUSTICE JUSTICE JUSTICE JUSTICE JUSTICE.

> GENTLEMAN.

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Mayor Wynn: THERE BEING A QUORUM PRESENT, AT THIS TIME I'LL CALL BACK TO ORDER THIS MEETING OF THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL. WE'VE BEEN IN RECESS NOW FOR ABOUT 45 MINUTES OR SO. THAT NOW TAKES US TO OUR ZONING MATTERS, AND I'LL WELCOME MR. GREG GUERNSEY.

GOOD AFTERNOON. I AM THE DIRECTOR OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT. LET ME WALK THROUGH THE 4:00 O'CLOCK ITEMS WHERE THE PUBLIC HEARINGS HAVE BEEN CLOSED FOR ZONING ORDINANCES AND RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS. ITEM NUMBER 79 IS CASE C-14-2007-0271, THIS IS FOR THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS DEERWOOD MANUFACTURED HOME PARK AT 12,400 PIERCE LANE. THIS IS A CHANGE IN ZONING FROM INTERIM RURAL RESIDENCE DISTRICT ZONE TO GO MOBILE HOME RESIDENCE CONDITIONAL OVERLAY COMBINING DISTRICT ZONING WITH CONDITIONS. AND THIS IS READY FOR CONSENT APPROVAL ON SECOND AND THIRD READINGS. ITEM NUMBER 80 IS CASE C-14-2007-0210 AND C-14-H-2007-0011 BE, THE KOCUREK BUILDING AT 511 WEST 41st STREET. THIS IS A ZONING CHANGE FROM FAMILY RESIDENCE NEIGHBORHOOD CONSERVATION COMBINING DISTRICT TO NEIGHBORHOOD OFFICE HISTORIC LANDMARK NEIGHBORHOOD CONSERVATION COMBINING DISTRICT ZONING. THIS IS READY FOR SECOND READING ONLY. STAFF WOULD OFFER A PROPOSAL WHERE THE APPLICANT AND NEIGHBORHOOD HAVE AGREED TO SOME ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS, AND YOU SHOULD HAVE THESE ON THE DAIS. THEY'RE IN YELLOW WITH THE HIGHLIGHTED CHANGES -- THE CHANGES UNDERLINED IN RED. THOSE WOULD BE UNDER PART 4, ITEM NUMBER 18, PART D. THAT WOULD BE FOR A TWO-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL USE, THE MAXIMUM FLOOR AREA IS 0.5 TO PUN 1.0 USUAL UNDER THE MINIMUM SETBACKS FOR PART F, 3 I AND 4 I, UNDER 3 I WOULD BE THE INTERIOR SIDE YARD AND 4 THE WEST ALLEY SET BACK. UNDER PARAGRAPH H TO ADD LANGUAGE THAT WOULD SPEAK TO ITS FRONT SET BACK FROM 41st STREET WOULD BE EQUAL TO THAT OF THE PRINCIPAL BUILDING THAT. MEANS THAT THE PRINCIPAL BUILDING AND ANY ACCESSORY BUILDINGS WOULD BE IN ALIGNMENT AND NOT BE ONE IN FRONT OF THE OTHER. THAT THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF PARKING SPACES IS FIVE, TWO FOR RESIDENTIAL USE AND TWO PARKING PER DWELLINGTWELG UNIT IS ALLOWED. AND FINALLY, ON THE SECOND PAGE OF THAT HANDOUT, UNDER PARAGRAPH L, WHICH WOULD AN NEW PART, THAT WOULD SPEAK TO PART 7, PART 2-A AND PART 7, 17 B, DO NOT APPLY TO THE PROPERTY AT 511 WEST 41st STREET. THE PROPERTY IS NOT LARGE ENOUGH AND THERE'S AN HISTORIC BUILDING THAT WOULD BE SIGHTED ON THIS PROPERTY WITH THE ZONING TO ACCOMMODATE A DUMPSTER. THAT'S WHAT 7.2 A SPEAKS TO. AND THE DRIVEWAY LOCATION REQUIREMENTS ARE SPOKEN TO AND UNDER 17-B. SO WITH THOSE CHANGES THE APPLICANT AND THE NEIGHBORHOOD, WE COULD OFFER THIS ONLY FOR SECOND READING BECAUSE STAFF WOULD HAVE TO COMPOSE AN ORDINANCE AND BRING THIS BACK TO YOU WITH THOSE CHANGES. SO THAT'S ONLY SECOND READING IN ITEM NUMBER 80. ITEM NUMBER 81 IS C-14-2008-0003, WINDSOR ROAD NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING AREA VERTICAL MIXED USE BUILDING. THIS IS ONE OF THE OPT OUT, OPT IN TRACTS. TRACTS 1-C AND TRACTS 3-21. THIS WOULD HAVE BEEN A DISCUSSION ITEM, BUT I UNDERSTAND ONE

OF THE COUNCILMEMBERS WILL BE LEAVING A LITTLE EARLY, SO HAS ASKED THAT THIS ITEM BE DEFERRED FOR TWO WEEKS TO MAY EIGHTH. AND THERE'S A RELATED ITEM ALSO ON WINDSOR ROAD THAT I'LL READ INTO THE RECORD FOR THAT POSTPONEMENT. AND THAT CONCLUDES WHAT I CAN OFFER UNDER THIS PORTION OF THE AGENDA FOR CONSENT.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. SO COUNCIL, THE PROPOSED CONSENT AGENDA ON THESE CASES WHERE WE HAVE ALREADY CONDUCTED AND CLOSED THE PUBLIC HEARING WOULD BE TO APPROVE ITEM 79 ON SECOND AND THIRD READING. APPROVE ITEM 80 ON SECOND READING ONLY WITH CHANGES AS READ INTO THE RECORD BY MR. GUERNSEY. AND TO POSTPONE ITEM 81 TO MAY EIGHTH, 2008. I'LL ENTERTAIN THAT MOTION.

SO MOVE.

Mayor Wynn: MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER MCCRACKEN. SECONDED BY THE MAYOR PRO TEM TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PROPOSED. FURTHER COMMENTS? HEARING NONE, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

Mayor Wynn: OPPOSE AND OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF SEVEN TO ZERO.

THANK YOU. LET ME CONTINUE TO THE 4:00 O'CLOCK ZONING AND NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN AMENDMENT TUMEDZ. THESE ARE WHERE THE PUBLIC HEARINGS ARE OPEN. THERE'S POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE ITEMS THIS EVENING. ITEM NUMBER 82 IS CASE C-14-2007-0092. KNOWN AS THE 21-C PROPERTY AT 300 SAN JACINTO BOULEVARD. THE APPLICANT HAS REQUESTED AN INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT OF THIS CASE. IF THIS CASE WERE PLACED BACK ON THE AGENDA IT WOULD REQUIRE ADDITIONAL NOTICE TO BE PLACED IN THE NEWSPAPER AND ADDITIONAL NOTICE TO BE SEND TO ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNERS. SO THERE IS A REQUEST FOR INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT ON ITEM NUMBER 82. ITEM NUMBER 83 IS CASE C-14-2007-269 AT THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 111112 GEORGIAN DRIVE. THIS IS A CHANGE FROM LIMITED OFFICE DISTRICT ZONE TO GO COMMERCIAL DISTRICT ZONING. THE PLANNING COMMISSION WAS TO GRANT THE GENERAL COMMERCIAL SERVICES CONDITIONAL OVERLAY COMBINING DISTRICT ZONING. AND THIS IS READY FOR CONSENT APPROVAL ON ALL THREE READINGS. ITEM NUMBER 84 IS CASE C-14-2008-0017, BE THE T AND K PROPERTY LOCATED AT 11108 GEORGIAN DRIVE. THIS IS A REZONE REQUESTING FROM LIMITED OFFICE DISTRICT ZONE TO GO GENERAL COMMERCIAL SERVICES DISTRICT ZONING. THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION WAS TO GRANT THE CS-CO COMBINED DISTRICT ZONING ON THIS PROPERTY. THIS IS READY FOR CONSENT APPROVAL ON ALL THREE READING. ITEM NUMBER 85 IS CASE C-14-2008-0046, BRYAN JAMAIL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4206 CLAWSON ROAD AND 1700 FORT VIEW. THIS IS A ZONING CHANGE FROM FAMILY RESIDENCE CONDITIONAL OVERLAY DISTRICT ZONING COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT ZONING TO LIMITED OFFICE CONDITIONAL OVERLAY COMBINING

DISTRICT ZONING FOR TRACT 1. AND COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL CONDITIONAL OVERLAY COMBINING DISTRICT ZONING FOR TRACT 2. THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATION WAS TO GRANT LIMITED OFFICE, CONDITIONAL OVERLAY OR LO-CO COMBINING DISTRICT ZONE FOG TRACT 1 AND COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL CONDITIONAL OVERLAY GR-CO ZONE FOG TRACT 2. THE APPLICANT IS NOT GOING TO SPEAK TO THIS ITEM TONIGHT AND WOULD LIKE THIS TO STAY ON THE CONSENT AGENDA WITH JUST NOTING THAT CAROL GIBBS WITH THE SOUTH LAMAR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION HAD INDICATED BECAUSE THE APPLICANT'S AGENT OR THE DEVELOPER'S AGENT AND THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION'S REPRESENTATIVES WERE ABLE TO AGREE ON THE CONDITIONS RESTRICTIONS ATTACHED TO THE SF-3 FOR LO-CO FOR THE SOLE USE OF THE PARKING LOT AND THE DRIVEWAY ACCESS TO THE ADJACENT PROPERTY THEY'RE IN AGREEMENT AND THIS CAN STAY ON THE CONSENT AGENDA THIS EVENING. AS FAR AS I KNOW THERE'S NO ONE HERE FROM THE NEIGHBORHOOD TO SPEAK ON NUMBER 85. AND THAT CAN STAY ON CONSENT FOR THREE READINGS. ITEM NUMBER 86 IS CASE C-14-2008-47, THIS IS THE GRANT FOSTER PROPERTY AT 507 WEST 18th STREET. THIS IS A REZONING REQUEST FROM GENERAL OFFICE DISTRICT ZONING TO DOWNTOWN MIXED USE DISTRICT ZONING. THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION WAS TO GRANT THE DOWNTOWN MIXED USE CONDITIONAL OVERLAY COMBINED DISTRICT ZONING. THIS IS READY FOR CONSENT APPROVAL ON ALL THREE READINGS. ITEM NUMBER 87 IS CASE C-14-2008-49. THIS IS THE SOUTH EDGE II PROPERTY PART 3 AT 6224 CROW LANE. THE ADJACENT NEIGHBORS APPROACHED ME EARLIER THIS AFTERNOON ABOUT POSTPONING THIS ITEM FOR TWO WEEKS TO YOUR MAY EIGHTH AGENDA. I'VE SPOKEN TO ALICE GLASGO, THE AGENT FOR THIS CASE. THE AGENT IS AGREEABLE TO THE POSTPONEMENT REQUEST TO MAY EIGHTH. THE REASON FOR THE POSTPONEMENT REQUEST IS BECAUSE THE PLANNING COMMISSION JUST CONSIDERED THIS TUESDAY NIGHT, AND THE NEIGHBORHOOD WOULD LIKE A LITTLE BIT MORE TIME TO REVIEW THE CASE BEFORE IT'S PRESENTED TO YOU. SO THAT IS A CONSENT POSTPONEMENT ON ITEM NUMBER 87 TO MAY EIGHTH. ITEM NUMBER 88 IS CASE C-14-2008-68, THIS IS THE REDEEMER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH AT 2205 ALEXANDER DRIVE. THIS IS A ZONING CHANGE REQUEST FROM GENERAL COMMERCIAL SERVICES MIXED USE CONDITIONAL OVERLAY NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN COMBINING DISTRICT ZONING TO GENERAL COMMERCIAL SERVICES MIXED USE CONDITIONAL OVERLAY NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN COMBINING DISTRICT ZONING TO CHANGE A CONDITION OF ZONING. THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION WAS TO GRANT THE REQUEST FOR CS-MU-NP COMBINED DISTRICT ONLY. THIS IS READY FOR CONSENT APPROVAL ON ALL THREE READINGS. [ONE MOMENT, PLEASE, FOR CHANGE IN CAPTIONERS] ITEM NUMBER 92 IS CASE C14-2008-0038. 1705 & 1715 GUADALUPE STREET. THE APPLICANT WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION. ITEM NUMBER 93, CASE NUMBER C14-2008-0003. WINDSOR ROAD NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING AREA. VERTICAL MIXED USE BUILDING V ZONING OPT-INOPT-OUT PROCESS, FOR VARIOUS PROPERTIES ALONG 35th STREET. I UNDERSTAND THERE IS A REQUEST BY COUNCIL POSSIBLY TO POSTPONE THIS ITEM, ALSO TO THAT SAME DATE OF MAY 8. AND BECAUSE IT IS A VERTICAL MIXED USE BUILDING CASE, ALSO NUMBER 94, CASE C14-2008-0019. SOUTH LAMAR NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING AREA. VERTICAL MIXED

USE, BUILDING V ZONING OPT-INOPT-OUT PROCESS FOR VARIOUS PROPERTIES IN THE SOUTH LAMAR NEIGHBORHOOD. I UNDERSTAND THERE SEE QUESTION MADE BY COUNCIL TO POSTPONE THIS ITEM ALSO TO MAY 8. AND ITEM NUMBER 95, CASE C14-2008-0043. BARTON HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING AREA. VERTICAL MIXED USE BUILDING V ZONING OPT-INOPT-OUT PROCESS FOR THE BARTON HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD. AGAIN, THERE IS A REQUEST TO POSTPONE THIS PARTICULAR ITEM ALSO TO MAY 8 BY COUNCIL. ITEM NUMBER 96, CASE C14-2008-0044. WINDSOR PARK NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING AREA. VERTICAL MIXED USE BUILDING V ZONING OPT-INOPT-OUT PROCESS I DON'T BELIEVE WE HAVE ANY SPEAKERS HERE FOR THIS ITEM AS WE CHECKED JUST BEFORE.

YET.

STAFF COULD ACTUALLY, IF THERE IS NO OBJECTION FOR THE AUDIENCE, WE COULD OFFER THIS AS A CONSENT ITEM. THERE WOULD BE THREE PARTS TO THE MOTION. THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATION WAS TO APPROVE VERTICAL MIXED USE BUILDING WITH DIMENSIONAL STANDARD PARKING REDUCTION IN OFFICE DISTRICTS ON TRACTS 1-14, AND THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION MOTION NUMBER TWO WAS TO EXCLUDE TRACT 15, 16, 26 FROM THE VERT CANNING MIXED USE OVERLAY DISTRICT AND NUMBER THREE TO APPROVE THE AFFORDABLE LEVEL OF 60% OF THE MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME FOR 10% OF RENTAL UNITS IN THE VERTICAL MIXED USE BUILDING. SO THAT COULD BE OFFERED BY CONSENT WITH NO OBJECTION THAT IS ITEM NUMBER 96 AND THAT IS -- AND THAT IS ITEM NUMBER 96 FOR CONSENT FOR FIRST READING ONLY. NUMBER 97, 98 AND 99 ARE ALL RELATED ITEMS. S THEY INVOLVED LAMAR BEAUTIFUL VARD, JUSTIN LANE STATION PLAN. THIS IS FROM THE TOD AFFECTING THE CREST VIEW NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING AREA AND THE BRENTWOOD HIGH LAND NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING AREA. SO 97, 98 AND 9WOULD BE DISCUSSION ITEMS.

I'M A LITTLE OFF. ITEM 90 WE HAVE ONE SPEAKER IN FAVOR BUT YOU ARE SUGGESTING THAT IS A DISCUSSION ITEM?

THAT WAS ITEM NUMBER --

90.

ITEM NUMBER 90, I THINK THE APPLICANT IS IN FAVOR OF THE REQUEST BUT NOT NECESSARILY OF THE ZONING AND PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION. I BELIEVE THE SPEAKER IS A MR. RON SLOWER AND WOULD BE SUPPORTIVE OF THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION MF-4 AND NOT THE PLANNING RECOMMENDATION TO MF-3.

SO WE'LL DISCUSS THAT ONE. AND ITEM 91, A NUMBER OF SPEAKERS SO THAT IS DISCUSSION. ITEM 92 I SHOW NO CITIZENS SIGNED UP FOR THAT. WERE YOU SUGGESTIONING THAT IS DISCUSSION.

THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDED DENIAL OF THE CASE WASN'T UNDERSTOOD THE APPLICANT AND/OR THEIR AGENT WOULD BE HERE THIS EVENING TO SPEAK TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION RECOMMEND DENIAL.

SO WE WILL TAKE THAT UP AS DISCUSSION. THEN ITEM 93, A NUMBER OF CITIZENS.

THAT WAS AN ITEM POSSIBLY FOR POSTPONEMENT.

FOLLOW ALONG WITH ME AND SEE IF I GET THIS RIGHT. OUR PROPOSED CONSENT AGENDA ON THESE CASES WHERE WE HAVE YET TO CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING WOULD BE TO NOTE THE INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT OF ITEM NUMBER 82. CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVE ON ALL THREE READINGS CASES 83, 84, 85 AND 86. TO POSTPONE CASE 87 TO MAY 8, 2008. CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVE ON ALL THREE READINGS CASE 88. DID SAY POSTPONE TO 87 OR 88.

POSTPONE 87.

POSTPONE 87, APPROVE ON ALL THREE READINGS CASE 88. TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVE THE AMENDED RESTRICTIVE COVENANT ON ITEM 89. POSTPONE ITEM 93, 94 AND 95 TO MAY 2008. 96. AND COUNCIL, THAT IS OUR PROPOSED CONSENT AGEN I WILL ENTERTAIN A MOTION. MOTION BUY COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ. SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER COLE TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS READ. FURTHER COMMENTS? HEARING NONE, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR, PLEASE SAY AYE. AYE. OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF 7-0.

THANK YOU, MAYOR AND COUNCIL. I WOULD LIKE TO BRING YOUR ATTENTION TO ITEM NUMBER 97, 98 AND 99. I UNDERSTAND COUNCIL MEMBER McCRACKEN MAY HAVE TO LEAVE A LITTLE SOONER AND THERE WAS DESIRE FROM THE COUNCIL MEMBER TO CONSIDER THIS BEFORE HE HAD TO LEAVE. ITEM NUMBER 97, I WILL INTRODUCE THE DIRECTOR OF NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING AND ZONING TO INTRODUCE ITEMS 97 WHICH IS CASE NUMBER C14-2008-0030. LAMAR BLVD. JUSTIN LANE STATION AREA PLAN. AND THE RELATED ITEMS NUMBER 98 WHICH IS THE CRESTVIEW NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN AMENDMENT AND 99, BRENTWOULD HIGHLANDS AMENDMENT.

THANK YOU.

MAYOR, COUNCIL MEMBER, GEORGE ADAM WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT. VERY BRIEFLY, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE THREE SHORT PRESENTATIONS. FIRST WILL BE MR. ARINGTON WHO IS OUR LEAD CONSULTANT ON THE STATION AREA PLANNING PROCESS AND HE WILL COVER THE ELEMENTS OF THE PLAN. I WILL GIVE YOU A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF THE REGULATING PLAN AND THE ZONING THAT IS PROPOSED FOR THE LAMAR JUSTIN STATION AREA PLAN, AND THEN MANDY WILL PROVIDE A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING. SO WITH

THAT, I WILL TURN IT OVER TO MR. ARINGTON.

THANK YOU, GEORGE.

GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR, MEMBERS OF COUNCIL. YOU'VE SEEN SOME OF THE OTHER PLANS SO SOME OF THIS WILL BE SIMILAR TO WHAT YOU'VE SEEN AND I'LL TRY TO NOT TAKE TOO MUCH TIME WITH THAT IN MIND. THE CONTEXT, THIS IS PART OF PLANNING FOR THE NEW CAPITAL METRO LINE THAT WILL BE OPENING LATER THIS YEAR. THIS PLAN SPECIFICALLY IS FOR THE LAMAR JUSTIN LANE STATION AREA. THAT IS AN AREA THAT IS DEFINED VERY MUCH BY THE ROAD NETWORK. IT IS VERY AUTO-ORIENTED TODAY WITH CRESTVIEW STATION THERE IS A MAJOR TRANSIT ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT THAT IS UNDER WAY IN THIS AREA RIGHT NOW. ONE OF THE KEY ISSUES WITH THE COMMUNITY IN THE PLANNING PROCESS IS THAT THERE IS NO PUBLIC OPEN SPACE IN THE AREA, THERE IS PRIVATE OPEN SPACE BUT NO PUBLIC OPEN SPACE IN THIS AREA. THE PLANNING PROCESS THAT WE'VE GONE THROUGH WITH THIS STATION IS A PROCESS WITH A SERIES OF WORKSHOPS OR, AS WE'VE CALLED THEM, CHERETTES WITH THE COMMUNITY. THE PLAN HAS THREE BASIC ELEMENTS ADDRESSING LAND USE, CIRCULATION, AND OPEN SPACE. THE PLANNING PROCESS ITSELF HAS BEEN GUIDED BY THE PRINCIPLES FOR TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT WHICH IN SUMMARY ARE HAVING GREATER DENSITY THAN THE COMMUNITY AVERAGE, A MIX OF USES, A QUALITY PEDESTRIAN ENVIRONMENT AND A DEFINED CENTER. THE STATION AREA INCLUDES TWO NEIGHBORHOOD PLANS, AREAS, CRESTVIEW WOOTEN AND THE BRENTWOOD/HIGHLANDS AREA. AS WE THINK ABOUT PLANNING HERE, THE DESIGN CHALLENGE IS ATTAINING THE TRAFFIC AND HOW DO YOU KNIT TOGETHER AN AREA THAT IS SURPRISED BY TRAFFIC COMING THROUGH THE MIDDLE OF IT AND MAKE THAT AN AREA THAT CAN ACCOMMODATE HIGHER DENSITIES AND TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE COMING OF TRANSIT. SO PART OF THE PLANNING CHALLENGE HERE WILL BE TO DEAL WITH A CHANGE OF USES, USES THAT TODAY HAVE COMMERCIAL MIXED USE ZONING. THERE IS SOMEWHAT OF A DIVERSITY OF OPINION OF HOW TO GET THERE AND WHAT THE PLAN TRIES TO DO, TO SATURDAY STAGE FOR FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OPPOSED TO DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS. AS WE'VE TALKED TO YOU BEFORE IN THE OTHER STATION AREAS, THERE ARE A SERIES OF LAND USE TYPOLOGIES THAT ALLOW FOR MORE LAND USE DEVELOPMENTS AND THIS IS APPLIED IN THIS STATION AREA PLAN. THIS PLAN INCLUDED A NODE ALONG THE STATION AND A CORRIDOR ALONG LAMAR AND IT WILL SERVE AS A WAY TO GUIDE THE EVOLUTION OF THE AREA OVER TIME AND, AS I MENTIONED BEFORE, WITH THE CRESTVIEW STATION PROJECT WOULD BE THE FIRST ACT OF TRANSFORMATION IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD. SOME OF THE KEY ISSUES ARE HOW DO YOU DEAL WITH THE EDGES, AND LIVE/WORK FLEX SPACE IS PROPOSED ALONG EDGES OF ST. JOHN AND KENNION, AND THOSE TWO LIVE/WORK FLUXES ARE SOMEWHAT DIFFERENT. THE ONE ALONG ST. JOHN'S IS PRIMARILY A RESIDENTIAL. THE ONE TO THE SOUTH IS MORE COMMERCIAL IN NATURE, REFLECTING THE ADJACENT USES THERE AND RESIDENTIAL WOULD NOT BE REQUIRED. AFFORDABLE HOUSING HAS BEEN A BIG ISSUE IN ALL THE STATION AREA PLANS. IT'S ADDRESSED SOMEWHAT DIFFERENTLY HERE BECAUSE THE ZONING IS DIFFERENT AND YOU WILL GET A SEPARATE PRESENTATION ON THAT AND ON

THE SPECIFICKING FOR HOW TO APPLIES THAT THE -- SPECIFICS FOR HOW IT APPLIES AT THIS STATION. CIRCUMSTANCELATION VERY BIG ISSUE HERE IT DIVIDES AND SEPARATES THE COMMUNITY AND A VERY IMPORTANT PART OF THE PLAN TO CHANGE THE NATURE OF THE CIRCULATION TO TRY TO CREATE A MORE WALKABLE ENVIRONMENT. AND THAT HAS TO DO WITH THEN CHANGING HOW TRAFFIC MOVES THROUGH THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND TRYING TO DEEMPHASIZE AIRPORT AND LAMAR AS THE ONLY WAY TO GET THROUGH HERE, AND SO ALLOWING TRAFFIC TO GO UP GUADALUPE, ACROSS ST. JOHNS AS A WAY TO GO TO THE NORTH AND ESSENTIALLY CREATE A KIND OF A CUPLET. THE OTHER ISSUE HERE IN TERMS OF CONNECTIVITY WOULD BE ON EASY WAY, IS TO PROVIDE EITHER PEDESTRIAN OR AUTOMOBILE ACCESS ACROSS CAPITAL METRO'S TRACKS THERE. THAT IS SOMETHING THAT WOULD REQUIRE APPROVAL BY CAPITAL METRO AND IS BY NO MEANS A DONE DEAL. AND I WILL SAY IN DISCUSSING AND MORE DETAIL, THE CIRCULATION THAT IS, AS YOU MIGHT EXPECT, THIS IS AN AREA WHERE THERE ARE DIFFERENT OPINIONS AMONG THE NEIGHBORHOODS ABOUT WHAT IS A GOOD IDEA. AND WHAT ISN'T A GOOD IDEA FOR IMPROVING CONNECTIVITY IN THIS AREA. I ANTICIPATE YOU WILL HEAR FROM THE NEIGHBORHOOD'S TWO DIFFERENT VIEWS ON THERE IN CHANGING CIRCULATION AND HOW TO DO THAT. ANOTHER KEY ISSUE HERE WILL BE DEALING WITH TRAILS AND HOW TRAILS GET TO THE AREA AND I WILL TALK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THAT. YOU CAN SEE ON THE IMAGES HERE, ONE OF THE IMPORTANT EARLY INTERVENTIONS WOULD BE TO CHANGE THE DESIGN OF THE LAMAR AIRPORT INTERSECTION. THERE IS A LOT OF WHAT I WOULD CALL PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF THIS. OUR CONSULTANT TEAM HAS LOOKED AT. THAT CAPITAL METRO HAS ALSO DONE SOME ANALYSIS AND THERE IS SOME MINOR DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE TWO BUT ESSENTIALLY WHAT THEY'RE TRYING TO DO IS THE SAME THING WHICH IS TO MAKE IT EASIER TO BE A PEDESTRIAN, TO MAKE IT EASIER TO MOVE BUSES THROUGH THE AREA, AND AT THE SAME TIME MOVE CARS THROUGH IN A WAY THAT WOULD ALLOW THIS AREA TO TRANSFORM AS BOTH A TOD AND AS A PLACE WHERE IT IS EASY TO GET TO TRANSIT. AS I MENTIONED BEFORE, THERE IS CURRENTLY NO PUBLIC OPEN SPACE IN THE AREA. THAT IS A BIG CONCERN WITH THE NEIGHBORHOODS. THERE IS AN IDENTIFICATION IN THE PLAN OF TRYING TO GET TO PUBLIC PARKS IN THE AREA, ONE ON BOTH SIDES OF LAMAR. THE AUSTIN ENERGY SITE HAS BEEN IDENTIFIES AS ONE OF THOSE. AND THE OTHER WOULD BE SOMEWHERE IN WHAT IS CURRENTLY NOW THE HIGH LAND'S MALL AREA. THE IDEA WITH THE OPEN SPACE IS TO LOOK AT SOMETHING AT LEAST A HALF AN ACRE IN SIZE TO PRODUCE ACTIVE USES IN RECREATION THAT WOULD SERVE THE EXISTING COMMUNITY AND SERVE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT COMING WITH THE TRANSFERRING DEVELOPMENT. IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THIS IS CONCEPTUAL AT THIS TIME AND I KNOW THERE HAS BEEN SO INTEREST IN BEING MORE SPECIFIC WITH THAT. ANOTHER ISSUE THAT HAS BEEN DISCUSSED WITH THE COMMUNITY IS HOW DO YOU GET A CONSISTENT NETWORK OF RAILS WITH TRAILS THROUGH THIS AREA. THE RIGHT OF WAY IS VERY TIGHT HERE AND IT APPEARS THAT IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO GET A CONTINUOUS NETWORK ALONG THE RIGHT OF WAY, SO IT MAY BE IMPORTANT TO DIVERT HERE AND GET ON TO STREETS TO BE ABLE TO PROVIDE THAT CONNECTIVITY. THE OTHER TRAIL CONNECTIVITY ISSUE IS THE ONE I MENTIONED BEFORE ON EASY WIND AND CROSSING THE

CAPITAL METRO TRACKS. SO THE PLAN IS THE START OF A JOURNEY. THE OTHER IMPORTANT PART OF THAT AND CERTAINLY THE COUNCIL CONVERSATIONS ON THE OTHER STATION AREA PLANS THAT REFLECTED THAT IS EMPHASIS ON IMPLEMENTATION. AND TO FOCUS ON IMPLEMENTATION AND WE BELIEVE VERY STRONGLY THAT PARTNERSHIPS ARE GOING TO BE ESSENTIAL TO DO THAT, PARTNERSHIPS WITH THE CITY, CAPITAL METRO, NEIGHBORHOOD REPRESENTATIVES, AND THE PRIVATE SECTOR TO BE ABLE TO MOVE THESE THINGS FORWARD AND TO FOCUS ATTENTION ON IMPLEMENTATION OF THE STATION AREA PLANS. ALONG THAT LINE, IT WILL BE VERY IMPORTANT TO SET CLEAR PRIORITIES ON A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT LEVELS IN TERMS OF PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION. GETTING CATALYST PROJECTS IN PLACE. CHANGING CIRCULATION AND STREETS, OPEN SPACE, AND GETTING SUPPORTING INFRASTRUCTURE IN PLACE TO BE ABLE TO MAKE THE CHANGES. ON THE PLANNING SIDE, YOU ARE BEING ASKED TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THE ADOPTION OF THE PLANS AND THE NEIGHBORHOOD REGULATING PLANS AND THAT WILL BE IMPORTANT. I WANT TO EMPHASIZE WE THINK IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO HAVE DEDICATED STAFF TO WORK ON IMPLEMENTATION OF BOTH THE PLAN AND CATALYST PROJECTS AND WORK WITHIN THE CITY TO GET THE RESOURCES KNOWN TO MAKE THESE PLANS WORK. -- RESOURCES NECESSARY TO MAKE THESE PLANS WORK. GETTING A CATALYST PROJECT WILL BE AN IMPORTANT PIECE OF THAT AND THE AUSTIN ENERGY SITE IS THE SITE THAT HAS BEEN DISCUSSED FORMALLY AND INFORMALLY WITHIN THE CITY AS ONE OF THE KEY PLACES WHERE THAT MAY BE POSSIBLE TO HAPPEN, AND TO MEET SOME OF THE CONCURRENT GOALS OF GETTING MORE TOD IN PLACE, GETTING OPEN SPACE IN PLACE AND DEALING WITH ISSUES OF AFFORDABILITY AND CONNECTIVITY AND ALL THOSE THINGS HAPPILY COME TOGETHER OR UNHAPPILY DEPENDING ON YOUR PERSPECTIVE AT THE AUSTIN ENERGY SITE. THE OTHER THING THAT IS OFTEN DONE IN TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT IS START WITH INTERVENTION ON THE STREETS AND TO SET THE TABLE TO CHANGE THE NATURE OF THE STREET NETWORK SO YOU ARE SENDING A SIGNAL TO THE DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY THAT THINGS ARE DIFFERENT HERE AND THE STREET NETWORK WILL WORK IN A DIFFERENT WAY, AND I THINK THAT IS AN EARLY, AN IMPORTANT IMPLEMENTATION ITEM. THEN DEALING WITH PARKS AND OPEN SPACE, GETTING SOME OF THOSE POCKET PARKS IN PLACE, CAPTURING THE PARK FEES AND REINVESTING THOSE BACK INTO THE AREA WILL BE VERY IMPORTANT. THE OTHER PART OF THAT WILL THEN BE THE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN AND GEORGE IS GOING TO -- EXCUSE ME, THE REGULATING PLAN. GEORGE IS GOING TO COME BACK AND TALK MORE SPECIFICALLY ABOUT WHAT IS INVOLVED IN THAT AND THEN WE CAN ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS IF WE HAVE ANY.

SO I WOULD LIKE TO JUST GIVE YOU A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF THE LAMAR JUSTIN STATION AREA REGULATING PLAN. THE APPROACH WITH THIS REGULATING PLAN IS GENERALLY CONSISTENT WITH THOSE THAT WERE PRESENTED WITH YOU FOR THE MLK AND THE PLAZA SALTILLO STATION AREA PLANS. BASICALLY THE REGULATING PLAN ESTABLISHED THE REGULATORY FRAMEWORK FOR DEVELOPMENT IN THE TOD AND THE GOAL FOR THIS FRAMEWORK IS TO ESTABLISH A MORE CONSISTENT TENT AND UNIFIED SET OF

REGULATIONS THAT ALLOWED FLEXIBILITY TO RESPOND TO MARKET CONDITIONS. UPON ADOPTION OF THE STATION AREA PLAN, ALL THE PROPERTIES IN THE STATION AREA WILL HAVE TOD ZONING. THE TOD, THE REGULATING PLAN IS BASED UPON THE APPROACH THAT WAS IDENTIFIED IN THE CITY WIDE DESIGN STANDARDS AND THE TOD ORDINANCE THAT WAS APPROVED IN 2005. IN ADDITION TO THAT, WE INTRODUCED ADDITIONAL TOD DESIGN STANDARDS, FOR EXAMPLE, THE REQUIREMENT FOR TREATMENT OF BUILDINGS ON ACTIVE EDGES. THE DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS WITHIN THE TOD VARY BY TOD SUB DISTRICTS AND GB COVERED THOSE, THAT IS THE HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL AND CORRIDOR MIXED USE. THE STREET TYPE THAT IS ADJACENT TO A PARTICULAR PARCEL OF LAND. THE REGULATING PLAN INCLUDES SIX SECTIONS OR ARTICLES, AND I BRIEFLY WOULD LIKE TO TOUCH ON THE DETAILS OF A FEW OF THOSE. ARTICLE II, WHICH IS TITLED LAND USE AND BUILDING DENSITY, DEFINES THE TOD SUB DISTRICTS WHICH I MENTIONED PREVIOUSLY, IT ESTABLISHED THE PERMITTED, CONDITIONAL AND PROHIBITED LAND USES AND DEFINES MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM DENSITIES FOR EACH OF THESE SUB DISTRICTS. ALL HAVE MINIMUM DENSITIES, AND THE MAXIMUM IN ANY SUB DISTRICT IS 45 UNITS PER ACRE WITHOUT A DENSITY BONUS. ARTICLE 3, WHICH IS TITLED CIRCULATION, CONNECTIVITY AND STREETScape, DEFINED THE TOD STREET TYPES, FOR EXAMPLE THE CORE TRANSIT CORRIDOR, ONCE AGAIN, WE'RE CARRYING OVER THAT TYPOLOGY FROM THE STANDARDS, AND THE TOD PRIORITY STREET, ALSO DEFINE SIDEWALK AND STREETScape STANDARDS, MAXIMUM BLOCK LENGTH AND ESTABLISHES REQUIREMENTS FOR A PROJECT CIRCULATION PLAN. ARTICLE 4 CONTAIN AS SITE DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS, INCLUDING GENERAL DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS SUCH AS LOT SIZE, IMPERVIOUS COVER, SET BACKS AND SO ON. ALSO IT DEFINED BUILDING HEIGHT. THE APPROACH WE'VE TAKEN HERE IS SIMILAR TO THE PREVIOUS TWO STATION AREA PLAN, WE'VE CARRIED OVER THE BUILDING HEIGHT IN PLACE UNDER THE CURRENT ZONING AND ESTABLISHED A 60-FOOT BUILDING HEIGHT MAXIMUM UNDER ANY CONDITION, INCLUDING THE BONUSES THIS STATION AREA PLAN ALSO INCLUDES THE PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE COME COME PAT COMPATIBILITY STANDARDS. IT IS TRIGGERED BY SINGLE FAMILY ZONING OR USE OUTSIDE THE PLAN AND ONLY APPLY TO PROPERTY THAT IS 100 FEET OR LESS INSIDE THE TOD. ONCE AGAIN,S CAN TENT WITH THE GENERAL APPROACH AND THE OTHER TODs, THE PLAN PROPOSES DENSITY AND HEIGHT BONUSES FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING. THE DENSITY BONUS IS GENERALLY BASED ON THE VMU CONCEPT, WHERE ADDITIONAL FAR IS ALLOWED IF THE HOUSING GOALS ARE MET. THE HEIGHT BONUS WOULD ALLOW PROPERTY IN THE TOD MIXED USE SUB DISTRICT THAT DOESN'T CURRENTLY HAVE 60 FEET IN HEIGHT TO GO UP TO 60 FEET IF THE HOUSING GOALS ARE MET. FINALLY, IN ARTICLE 4, WE ALSO HAVE STANDARDS FOR BUILDING PLACEMENT, GENERAL IDEA OF WANTING TO BRING BUILDINGS CLOSER TO THE STREET. OFF STREET PARKING, INCLUDING SECTIONS ON PARKING REDUCTIONS. DESIGN STANDARDS FOR PARKING THAT ALSO PROHIBIT THE LOCATION OF PARKING BETWEEN BUILDINGS AND THE SIDEWALK. THE STANDARDS FOR PUBLIC AND PRIVATE OPEN SPACE. AND THEN A NUMBER OF ISSUES THAT ARE AIMED AT CREATING A BETTER PEDESTRIAN ENVIRONMENT, INCLUDING LOCATION OF PRIMARY BUILDING ENTRANCES, WINDOWS AND DOORS, SHADE AND SHELTER AND SO ON. SO, IN SUMMARY, AS GB MENTIONED, WHAT WE

ARE REQUESTING TONIGHT IS APPROVAL OF ITEMS 97, 98 AND 99 WHICH INCLUDES THE LAND USE CONCEPT PLAN, THE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN AND THE REGULATING PLAN THAT I JUST HIGHLIGHTED. IN ADDITION THE NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN AMENDMENTS FOR THE BRENTWOOD/HIGH LAND AND CRESTVIEW/WOOTEN PLANS AND THAT WOULD INCLUDE THE STATION AREA PLANS WITHIN THE NEIGHBORHOOD PLANS AND WOULD AMEND THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP TO SHOW THOSE AS TOD. WITH THAT, I WOULD LIKE TO TURN IT OVER TO MANDY FOR A BRIEF PRESENTATION ON THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMPONENT.

GEORGE.

MAYOR, CITY COUNCIL, I'M MANDY DEMAYO. TWO WEEKS AGO ON APRIL 10 I PRESENTED DMA'S AFFORDABLE HOUSING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PLAZA SALTILLO AND MLK TODs AND BECAUSE THE RECOMMENDATIONS ARE VIRTUALLY IDENTICAL I WILL NOT GO THROUGHOUT WHOLE POWER POINT PRESENTATION BUT BRIEFLY SUMMARIZE THE RECOMMENDATIONS. THERE ARE FIVE OVERALL RECOMMENDATIONS, THE FIRST IS TO IMPLEMENT THE HIND BONUS PROGRAM WHICH GEORGE MENTIONED AND JUST TO REVIEW, THE DENSITY BONUS WOULD BE IN EXCHANGE FOR RELAXED FLOOR TO AIR RATIO AND DENSITY. THE DEVELOPER WOULD BE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE 10% OF THE INHABITABLE SQUARE FOOTAGE AS AFFORDABLE. RENTAL PROPERTIES 60% MFI. FOR THE HEIGHT BONUS PROGRAM, AS GEORGE MENTIONED ALSO, THE HEIGHT COULD BE NO HIGHER THAN 60 FEET AND THIS WOULD BE IN THE TOD MIXED USE SUB DISTRICT. WE'RE PROPOSING 25% BONE NUT SQUARE FOOTAGE AND THE INCOME LEVELS WOULD BE PER THE TOD ORDINANCE, IN THIS CASE IT WOULD BE 80%O, ON OWNER OCCUPIED 60s OR RENTAL. THAT INCLUDES EARMARKING THE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, EITHER DOING A SET ASIDE OR CHANGING SCORING IN THE GENERAL OBLIGATION PROCESS. SO THAT THE PROJECTS WITHIN THE TODs THAT HAVE SOME ADVANTAGE. DMA IS ALSO RECOMMENDING THAT THE CITY FOCUS ON LOW INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDIT PROJECTS, AS WE TALKED ABOUT TWO WEEKS AGO, WITH THE TAX CREDIT PROGRAM YOU WOULD BE ABLE TO ACHIEVE GREATER AFFORDABILITY, DEEPER AFFORDABILITY AND A LARGER NUMBER OF UNITS IN A SINGLE LOCATION. THE THIRD RECOMMENDATION IS TO IDENTIFY AND UTILIZE PUBLICLY ON LAND. UNFORTUNATELY, IN LAMAR TOD THERE IS LIMITED LAND BUT THERE ARE OPPORTUNITIED FOR THE CITY ASSEMBLE AND LAND BANK FOR FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING DOWN THE ROAD. THE FOURTH RECOMMENDATION IS TO PROVIDE A MENU OF INCENTIVES WITHIN THE TODs THAN INCLUDES FEE WAIVERS AND EXPEDITE RED VIEW EXPANDING ON THE EXISTING SMART HOUSING PROGRAM. AND ALSO A SUB RECOMMENDATION IS TO MAXIMIZE PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS, TAX EXEMPTIONS, IN WHICH A DEVELOP CORE REDUCE THE PROPERTY -- DEVELOPER COULD REDUCE THE PROPERTY TAX SO THEREFORE ACHIEVE GREATER AFFORDABILITY ON SITE. THE FINAL ONE IS THE HOMESTEAD DISTRICT WHICH IS APPLICABLE TO THE MLK TODs BUT NOT TO LAMAR BECAUSE IT IS OUTSIDE THE ZONE. HE REITERATE ALL THESE RECOMMENDATIONS WITH ONE CAVEAT, THAT IS WE ARE LOOKING AT THE RECOMMENDATIONS BASED ON FEEDBACK PROVIDED ON THE APRIL 10 CITY COUNCIL, YOU ALL PROVIDED SOME FEEDBACK THAT WE ARE REREVIEWING THE

RECOMMENDATIONS AND WE ARE ALSO LOOKING AT THE REQUIRED FINANCIAL SUBSIDIESES AND WORKING WITH STAFF TO COME BACK AND REPRESENT WITH ADDITIONAL ESTIMATED COSTS AND FINANCIAL IMPACT FOR THE CITY SO IN CONCLUSION DMA, WE DO FEEL THAT THE 25% AFFORDABILITY GOAL IS ACHIEVABLE BUT IT IS REALLY GOING TO TAKE A COORDINATED STRATEGY AND SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF PUBLIC SUBSIDY.

QUESTIONS OF STAFF OR CONSULTANTS, COUNCIL? COUNCIL MEMBER McCRACKEN.

COUNCIL MEMBER MCCRACKEN: I DON'T KNOW THAT I HAVE ANYTHING FOR YOU. ARE WE DONE WITH THE STAFF PRESENTATIONS?

MAYOR WYNN: GEORGE, IS THAT PRETTY MUCH IT FOR THE STAFF PRESENTATION?

YES

MAYOR WYNN: SO PERHAPS QUESTIONS FOR STAFF BEFORE WE HEAR FROM OUR CITIZENS.

COUNCIL MEMBER MCCRACKEN: IN TERMS OF WE MADE SOME AMENDMENTS ON THE MLK AND SALTILLO TODs SO I WANTED TO SEE WHICH OF THESE WERE SOMETHING THAT MIGHT NEED TO BE INCLUDED IN AMENDMENTS, AND THEN SUCH AS DO WE NEED TO, IF WE WERE TO WANT TO CREATE A TIFF TO FUND PUBLIC RESPONSIBILITIES, WOULD WE NEED TO DIRECT THAT IN THE PRESENTATION TODAY?

IT IS NOT EMBEDDED IN THE PRESENTATION.

COUNCIL MEMBER MCCRACKEN: AND THE SAME, ANOTHER PORTION OF THE AMENDMENTS WERE TO DEVELOP BEFORE SECOND READING THE UTILITY FINANCING STRUCTURES IN THE SAME MANNER WE'RE DOING FOR THE UNIVERSITY NEIGHBORHOOD OVERLAY. AND I'M GUESSING THAT IS NOT IN HERE TODAY, RIGHT?

THAT'S CORRECT

COUNCIL MEMBER MCCRACKEN: IT IS NO BIG DEAL, I JUST WANTED TO KNOW. THEN THE NEXT ONE WAS, WE AMENDED BOTH TODs TO REQUIRE PRIOR TO SECOND READING THAT STAFF IDENTIFY SPECIFIC PARKS ACQUISITION SITES THAT WE NOT UP ZONE THE PROPOSED PARK ACQUISITION SITES, THAT THE STAFF PREPARE A PARK ACQUISITION PLAN FOR COUNCIL APPROVAL. AND SO THAT IS, I THINK THIS IS NOT IN THIS PRESENTATION ALSO, RIGHT?

THAT'S CORRECT.

COUNCIL MEMBER MCCRACKEN: AND THE NEXT ONE WAS TO REQUIRE MIXED USE IN THE SAME MANNER AS REQUIRED UNDER THE VERTICAL MIXED USE ORDINANCE IN THE TOD MIXED USE AND QUARTER MIXED USE DESIGNATIONS. AND THEN ALSO TO REQUIRE IF ANY UTILITY OR CITY OR DEPARTMENT IMPOSES REQUIREMENTS THAT ALTER THIS PLAN, INCLUDING CRITERIA, MANUAL REQUIREMENTS, EPT, THEY HAVE TO COME TO COUNCIL WITH A WAIVER APPLICATION IN 45 DAYS. WE DON'T HAVE ANY -- AS FAR AS RESIDENTIAL PROJECTS WITHOUT COUNCIL WAIVER. AND THEN THE COMPATIBILITY STANDARDS WAIVER, THAT WAS, I THINK THAT IS INCORPORATED IN THIS PRESENTATION TODAY, RIGHT?

ACTUALLY IT IS THE SAME AS WAS ORIGINALLY PRESENTED NOW PLAZA SALTILLO AND MLK SO IT HASN'T BEEN ADJUSTED BASED ON THE PREVIOUS MOTION.

COUNCIL MEMBER MCCRACKEN: SO ON MLK AND SALTILLO IS THAT WE NOT WAVE COMPATIBILITY STANDARDS BUT WAVE THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING DENSITY BONUSES. AND THE FINAL THING WE HAD IN THE OTHER TWO TODs WAS DEVELOP SUSTAINABLE LANDSCAPE STANDARDS, INCLUDING GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE STANDARDS AND PRESENT A PROPOSAL TO MAKE A MANDATORY GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE. MY UNDERSTANDING THOSE ARE THINGS THAT WERE AMENDED ON THE OTHER TWO TODs THAT IF WE WANT TO ADD THOSE IN, WE WOULD NEED TO DO THAT ON THIS PLAN.

THAT'S CORRECT.

COUNCIL MEMBER MCCRACKEN: THANKS. THEN ONE QUESTION, I GUESS MAYBE TWO QUESTIONS FOR GB ARINGTON. I THINK YOU'VE IDENTIFY THE VERY WELL WHAT A MESS, FROM AN URBAN PLANNING STANDPOINT, THAT INTERSECTION OF AIRPORT AND LAMAR IS. IT IS A PRETTY HELLISH PLACE FOR PEDESTRIANS. WHAT IS YOUR PROFESSIONAL RECOMMENDATION IS YOUR PROFESSIONAL RECOMMENDATION ABOUT HOW THIS AREA SHOULD BE TREATED EMBEDDED IN THE STATION AREA PLAN PRESENTED TO US?

YES, IT IS, COUNCILMAN.

COUNCIL MEMBER MCCRACKEN: DO WE HAVE ANY SIGNAL FROM THE CITY OF AUSTIN ABOUT THE RESISTANCE OR WILLINGNESS TO IMPLEMENT YOUR PROFESSIONAL RECOMMENDATION?

THE CITY OF AUSTIN HAS BEEN A WILLING PARTICIPANT IN DEVELOPING THESE PLANS.

COUNCIL MEMBER MCCRACKEN: I WANT TO MAKE SURE WE ARE ALL ON THE SAME PAGE. I THINK THAT IS PERFORM. I THINK WHAT YOU ALL HAVE PRESENTED WILL MAKE AN INCREDIBLE DIFFERENCE IN THAT AREA FOR PEOPLE, AND NOT JUST CARS. AND THEN WHAT IS YOUR -- COULD YOU JUST REFRESH ME REALLY QUICK ON YOUR PROFESSIONAL

RECOMMENDATION ON THE CIRCULATION PLAN FOR THIS STREETS IN THIS TOD?

CERTAINLY. WE'RE SUGGESTING ESSENTIALLY CREATING WHAT WOULD WORK LIKE A CUPLET TO HAVE TRAFFIC GO UP GUADALUPE OVER TO ST. JOHN, TRAFFIC TO COME DOWN LAMAR. THERE IS ALSO A CONNECTION THAT WOULD OCCUR FURTHER TO THE SOUTH, WORKING ACROSS FROM AIRPORT OVER TO LAMAR, AND THEN SUGGESTING PEDESTRIAN AND/OR AUTOMOBILE CONNECTIONS ON EASY WIND ACROSS THE EXISTING RAILTRACKS.

COUNCIL MEMBER MCCRACKEN: IS THAT LAST PART TO REQUIRE THOSE CROSSING, IS THAT SOMETHING THAT IS EMBEDDED IN IMPLEMENTATION PROPOSAL?

YES, IT IS. AND THE NATURE OF THAT IS TO PROVIDE MORE CONNECTIVITY IN THE AREA.

COUNCIL MEMBER MCCRACKEN: YEAH. I STRONGLY BELIEVE, JUST FROM OUR EXPERIENCE THAT IN THE CITY OF GOING FROM INTERCONNECTED STREET SYSTEMS IN GREAT NEIGHBORHOODS LIKE HYDE PARK TO KIND OF CUL-DE-SAC DEAD-END SYSTEMS WHICH IS FUNNELED TRAFFIC ON ROADS AND THEY MAKE TRAFFIC IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD WORSE OTHERWISE AND THAT HAS BEEN MORE OF THE POST-WORLD WAR II NEIGHBORHOODS THAT YOUR RECOMMENDATION IS VITAL TO THE SUCCESS OF THE TOD THAT CIRCULATION PLAN. IS THAT PART OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATION AS WELL?

YES, IT IS. I BELIEVE THE PLANNING COMMISSION WENT FURTHER AND ASKED FOR A CONNECTION FROM THE CREST VIEW STATION UP TO JUSTIN LANE. SO THEY HAVE ONE MORE PIECE OF CONNECTIVITY THAN WE DO IN OUR PLAN.

COUNCIL MEMBER MCCRACKEN: AND THERE WAS -- FINAL QUESTION, THERE WAS SOMETHING ABOUT A RECOMMENDATION, IS THAT THE RECOMMENDATION FOR A ROAD TO CROSS THE TRACKS AT ONE LOCATION?

NO, THE CROSSING OF THE TRACKS IS AT EASY WIND. THIS WOULD BE A CONNECTION FROM THE EXISTING CREST VIEW STATION DEVELOPMENT UP TO JUSTIN.

JUSTIN.

COUNCIL MEMBER MCCRACKEN: OKAY, AND THEN ON THE QUESTION OF CROSSING THE TRACKS EITHER BY PEDESTRIAN ROADWAY OR BY AN ACTUALLY STREET, THE SYSTEM THAT CAPITAL METRO IS OPENING IS, I THINK, WISELY AND INTENTIONALLY GOING NO A LIGHT RAIL SYSTEM, I THINK THAT IS A GOOD DECISION BY CAPITAL METRO. IS IT -- WHAT KIND OF ISSUES ARE THERE ABOUT ALLOWING THREE CROSSINGS ON A LIGHT RAIL SYSTEM? IS THAT SOMETHING THAT IS COMMONLY DONE IN OTHER CITIES THAT HAVE IMPLEMENTED LIGHT RAIL SYSTEMS?

WHAT IS COMMONLY DONE WITH LIGHT RAIL, WITH COMMUTER RAIL, WHICH IS WHAT THIS IS

DESIGNED AS TODAY, IT IS ALWAYS PROBLEMATIC TO THEM TO HAVE NEW CROSSINGS. IT IS OFTEN CONTROVERSIAL WITHIN OUR TRANSIT AGENCY CLIENTS, AND IN NEGOTIATIONS TYPICALLY YOU CLOSE ANOTHER CROSSING SOME PLACE ELSE IN EXCHANGE FOR GETTING A NEW CROSSING.

COUNCIL MEMBER MCCRACKEN: YOU KNOW, WHY IS IT CONTROVERSIAL, IS IT BASED ON THE SIZE OF THE RAIL CAR?

WELL, IT IS A SAFETY ISSUE, IT IS AN ADDITIONAL CONFLICT POINT. IT IS MY PERSONAL VIEW THAT DO, IT CLOSE TO A STATION WHERE THERE IS ALREADY CONTROL OF THE VEHICLE AND THE STOPPING OF THE VEHICLE THAT CAN YOU DO THAT SAFELY. SO, BUT THERE IS ALWAYS DIFFERENCES OF OPINION ABOUT HOW TO DO THAT.

COUNCIL MEMBER MCCRACKEN: BECAUSE ONE OF THE THINGS I KNOW IS EVEN CAPITAL METRO ITSELF IN ITS FEDERAL APPLICATION HAS IDENTIFIED THE RAIL VEHICLE THEY ARE DOING AS A LIGHT RAIL VEHICLE. AND I KNOW FROM ALL OF THIS, MANY OF US HAVE GONE TO CITIES LIKE DENVER AND PORTLAND, OREGON, THAT HAVE LIGHT RAIL SYSTEMS AND THEY OPERATE IN DOWNTOWN, THEY ARE IN DEDICATED LANES OF THE STREETS OF DOWNTOWN WHERE THERE IS MULTIPLE STREET CROSSINGS GOING OVER THERE, AND IN YOUR PROFESSIONAL JUDGMENT IS THERE, IS IT AN ACCEPTABLE, FROM A SAFETY PERSPECTIVE, GIVEN THESE ARE LIGHT RAIL VEHICLES FOR A STREET OR PEDESTRIAN ROADWAY TO CROSS THAT CLOSE TO THE STATION AS IS IN YOUR, AS IN THE PROPOSED STATION AREA PLAN?

YEAH, I'M NOT AN EXPERT ON THE VEHICLE THAT CAPITAL METRO HAS PROCURED, BUT WE DO BELIEVE THAT THE SUGGESTION FOR A CROSSING THERE MEETS PRUDENT STANDARDS FOR HOW TO DESIGN A SAFE INTERSECTION NEAR A RAIL STATION.

COUNCIL MEMBER MCCRACKEN: OKAY. THAT IS GREAT. THAT IS ALL I HAVE. THANKS

MAYOR WYNN: FURTHER QUESTIONS OF STAFF OR OUR CONSULTANTS BEFORE WE HEAR FROM THE PUBLIC. COUNCIL MEMBER COLE.

COUNCIL MEMBER COLE: I HAVE A QUESTION. LET ME ASK THIS OF MARGARET FIRST.

YES, COUNCIL MEMBER, ACTING DIRECTOR OF NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING, MARGARET SHAW.

COUNCIL MEMBER COLE: THANK YOU. I HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE AFFORDABILITY, IN PARTICULAR NOW THE LOW INCOME TAX CREDIT. HOW THIS TWO WORK AT THIS STATION.

TYPICALLY HOW THAT WOULD WORK IS IN THE LAND OWNED OR PURCHASED, OWNED BY THE CITY OR IF A DEVELOPER OR NONPROFIT PURCHASED LAND WITHIN THAT AREA, AND

THEN WOULD LITERALLY JUST CREATE A TAX CREDIT PROJECT WHICH TYPICALLY IS 160 UNITS, AND HAS PROBABLY FIVE TO SEVEN LAYERS OF FINANCING IN A LOCATION SUCH AS THIS GIVEN THE HIGH COST OF LAND, I WOULD REASONABLY ASSUME THAT IT WOULD BE, HALF TO BE SOMETHING THAT IS PUBLICLY OWNED BY THE HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION OR THE PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY SO YOU COULD ASSURE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS WHICH WOULD BE ESSENTIAL FOR THE CASH FLOW LONG-TERM SUSTAINABILITY OF THAT PROJECT.

COUNCIL MEMBER COLE: AUSTIN OWNS PROPERTY HERE SO WOULD IT BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE LOW INCOME TAX CREDIT?

YES, MA'AM, QUO USE THOSE. -- WE COULD USE THOSE.

COUNCIL MEMBER COLE: OKAY. DO YOU KNOW THE COST OF THE UNIT WE ARE ABLE TO AFFORD?

WE ARE DOING THAT NOW TO BRING YOU-ALL BASED ON THE APRIL 10 GUIDANCE WE RECEIVED, IS RUNNING A FEW SCENARIOS THAT DEEP SUBSIDIES, PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES, AND SOME UNIT CALCULATIONS TO TRY AND REACH THE 25% GOAL THAT COUNCIL EXPRESSED IS A PRIORITY.

COUNCIL MEMBER COLE: SO WHEN WE GET THAT ANALYSIS, IS IT GOING TO BE AN ANALYSIS, WILL WE BE ABLE TO TELL FROM THE CRESTVIEW STATION, VERSUS THE PLAZA SALTILLO STATION, SO WE WILL KNOW --

WE WILL NOW. WE CAN DO THAT. ABSOLUTELY, BECAUSE THE KEY PART OF THIS IS GOING TO BE THE LOCATION. LIKE ANY REAL ESTATE TRANSACTION, IT DEPENDS ON THE LOCATION. IN SOME CASES, NOT TO BE TOO FACETIOUS, BUT TODs, BECAUSE OF THE FACT THAT WE'VE ALREADY DESIGNATED THESE AREAS, THE LAND PRICES HAVE ALREADY JUMPED UP BECAUSE IT HAS ALREADY BEEN SIGNALLED THIS IS GOING TO BE A DENSE AREA. SO IN SOME CASES, AND I DEFER TO HANDY IF SHE WANTED TO CORRECT ME, THOSE LAND PRICES ARE FAIRLY SIMILAR BUT NOT ALWAYS, DEPENDING ON THE LOCATION.

COUNCIL MEMBER COLE: SO WE'LL BE ABLE TO MAKE AN ANALYSIS.

YES, MA'AM, WE WILL DO A COMPARISON BASED ON THE LOCATION OF ANY DISTINCTIONS THAT HAPPEN BETWEEN THOSE DIFFERENT --

COUNCIL MEMBER COLE: HANDSY IS WORKING ON THAT.

WE WILL HAVE THAT BEFORE THE SECOND AND THIRD READINGS FOR MLK AND SALTILLO.

COUNCIL MEMBER COLE: THANK YOU.

YOU'RE WELCOME.

MAYOR WYNN: FURTHER QUESTIONS OF STAFF?

I WANT TO FOLLOW-UP A LITTLE BIT WITH MISS SHAW ON THIS. BOTH THE SALTILLO AND MLK STATION AREA PLANS INCLUDE A REQUIREMENT OF 25%.

BASED ON THE DIRECTION LAST MEETING.

YES, AND IN THIS THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION IS TO TRY TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO HELP DEVELOPERS ACHIEVE 25% IN THIS PLAN. SO WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THESE TWO REQUIREMENTS?

THE REQUIREMENT IN THIS CASE IS NOT A FIRM REQUIREMENT IS THE WAY I READ IT.

COUNCIL MEMBER IN MLK AND THE PLAZA SALTILLOIZATION AREA PLANS, THE ORIGINAL PROPOSAL OR THE STAFF AND CONSUL PANT PROPOSAL THAT CAME TO YOU TWO WEEKS AGO WAS TO USE THE DENSITY AND HEIGHT BONUS TO GET THE 10% OF THE UNITS AT VARIOUS LEVELS OF AFFORDABILITY AND THEN USE THE OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS THAT MISS DEMAYO OUT LINED TO GET US TO THE 25%. THE COUNCIL MOTION MADE THAT A MUCH HARDER GOAL BASICALLY THAT WE NEED TO JUST ACHIEVE THAT 25%. THIS STATION AREA PLAN AS PRESENTED TO YOU TAKES A SIMILAR APPROACH IN THAT IT SOUNDS LIKE WE WILL HAVE A SIMILAR COUNCIL MOTION THAT WILL THEN DIRECT US TO MOVE TOWARD THAT DEFINITE 25% GOAL.

WELL, I DIDN'T HEAR THAT IN THE INITIAL DISCUSSION THAT THIS WOULD BE THE SAME REQUIREMENT AS FOR SALTILLO AND MLK.

AS PRESENTED BY STAFF, THEY WERE INITIALLY THE SAME. SO WE WOULD END UP AT THE SAME PLACE WITH ALL OF THEM.

OKAY. AND I HAVE ANOTHER QUESTION. I THINK I CAUGHT IT RIGHT OVER HERE, I THINK THERE WAS DIRECTION TO CLAW TIFF IN THIS?

THAT IS CORRECT. ONE OF THE MOTIONS ON PLAZA SALTILLO AND MLK WERE FOR STAFF TO AREA A TIFF I BELIEVE TO FUND PUBLIC RESPONSIBILITIES, IF I REMEMBER THE LANGUAGE CORRECTLY, AND I ASSUME THAT WOULD BE A SIMILAR MOTION HERE.

AND WHAT ARE THESE PUBLIC RESPONSIBILITIES?

I THINK THERE IS, THERE ARE INFRASTRUCTURE STREETSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS AS MR.

ARINGTON OUTLINES, FOR EXAMPLE THE INTERSECTION OF AIRPORT AND LAMAR, THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING. OPEN SPACE.

AND THE TIFF WOULD COVER WHAT? THE ENTIRE STATION AREA PLAN OR WHAT?

IT WOULD INCLUDE THOSE ELEMENTS WITHIN THE STATION AREA PLAN OR SOME PORTION OF THEM. WE CERTAINLY DON'T HAVE THE DETAILS OF THE TIFF AT THIS POINT. WE'RE WORKING WITH THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT ON OUTLINING THE PROCESS AND HOW THE TIFFs MIGHT FUNCTION.

ARE WE GOING TO KNOW THAT BEFORE SECOND AND THIRD READINGS?

YES, WE WILL BRING BACK INFORMATION RELATIVE TO ALL THESE MOTIONS OR AMENDMENTS THAT COUNCIL MADE AT THE SECOND AND THIRD READING AND GIVE YOU AN UPDATE ON ALL OF THOSE.

THE ATTENTION FOR MYSELF AS A MOTION MAKER WAS JUST FOR STAFF TO DIRECT THE CREATION OF THE TIFF, YOU HAVE TO CREATE IT AND THEN GIVES YOU A PROFESSIONAL RECOMMENDATION ON THE LEVELS WHAT DID THE PUBLIC RESPONSIBILITIES ACQUIRED, BUT YOU HAVE TO ACTUALLY CREATE SOME FORMAL LEGAL DOCUMENTS TO CREATE IT AND STAFF CAN GIVES YOU A PROFESSIONAL RECOMMENDATION ABOUT WHAT NEEDS TO BE COVERED. WE COULD ULTIMATELY REJECT DOING A TAX INCREMENT FINANCE PLAN THERE BUT THE CHALLENGE IS IF YOU DON'T CREATE IT YOU LOSE ALL THE OPPORTUNITY FOR INCREMENTS. WE'RE UP ZONING THIS LAND AND CREATING VALUE AND WE COULD COP TOUR THAT FOR AFFORDABLE -- AND WE COULD CAPTURE THAT FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND PARKS AT A MINIMUM THAT WAS THE INTENTION.

I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHAT THE PROCESS WILL BE FOR THE LAND THAT THE CITY OF AUSTIN OWNS BY THE TRAIN STATION. THERE ARE A LOT OF INTERESTS. SOME LIKE PARK SPACE, SOME LIKE AFFORDABLE HOUSING, SOME LIKE A CHILDCARE FACILITY. WHAT ARE THE NEXT STEPS TO GO THROUGH THAT.

THAT DEPENDS ON THE DIRECTION FROM THE COUNCIL.

RIGHT NOW IT IS STAYING JUST THE WAY IT S. WE'RE NOT DOING ANYTHING WITH THAT.

I KNOW THERE ARE DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN AUSTIN ENERGY AND UNDERSTOOD HOUSING. I'M NOT UP-TO-DATE ON THE SPECIFICS OF THOSE BUT I THINK IF THE COUNCIL HAS DEFINITE IDEAS ON WHAT THEY WOULD LIKE TO SEE ON THAT SITE IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO HAVE THAT DIRECTION.

OKAY, THANK YOU.

COUNCIL MEMBER KIM, I WOULD'D A THAT, WE ARE WORKING WITH STAFF TO GET A GENERAL INFORMATION TO BRING OPTIONS OF WHAT THE POTENTIAL PARTNERSHIP OPTIONS, IF WE OWNED IT, TO DO A TAX CREDIT OR 4% BOND OR NONTAX CREDIT DEAL ON SITE, WHAT ARE SOME OF THE INCOME LEVELS AND STYLES OF HOUSING THAT COULD BE THERE, AND THEN MY ASSUMPTION IS IT BOO COME TO YOU AS LARGER PACKAGE WITH DIFFERENT OPTIONS, BUT YOU ARE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT, THERE IS A LOT OF COMMUNITY BENEFITS COMPETING FOR THAT SAME LAND. I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE A MOMENT TO CORRECT THE RECORD WITH COUNCIL MEMBER COLE. THE LAND PRICES ARE VERY SIMILAR IN MLK AND NORTH LAMAR AND SALTILLO'S ARE SLIGHTLY LESS SO WE WILL BE BRINGING THOSE BACK AS PART OF OUR OPTIONS

MAYOR WYNN: FURTHER QUESTIONS, COMMENTS?

I HAVE A QUESTION, MAYOR.

MAYOR WYNN: COUNCIL MEMBER, COLE.

COUNCIL MEMBER COLE: I'M NOT SURE IF THIS IS A GEORGE QUESTION OR.

COUNCIL MEMBER McCRACKEN QUESTION OR A PRO TEM MAYOR QUESTION, BUT THE FEASIBLE OF A TIFF, WHAT THAT INVOLVES.

I'M NOT AN EXPERT ON TIFFs, MY UNDERSTANDING WOULD BE THIS IS AN EXTENDED PROCESS THAT WOULD REQUIRE COUNCIL ACTION AT MAJOR MILESTONES, SIMILAR TO WHAT THE PROCESS FOR THE WALLER CREEK TIFF, SO YOU KNOW, THIS WOULD BE SOMETHING THAT THE FINANCE STAFF WOULD TAKE THE LEAD ON AND BRING TO YOU IDENTIFYING THE OPTIONS AND WHAT THE POTENTIAL IS, AND THEN, OR AT LEAST THAT IS THE WAY I UNDERSTAND IT, AND THEN THE COUNCIL WOULD MOVE THAT FORWARD TO THE NEXT STAGE, IF SO DESIRED.

COUNCIL MEMBER COLE: I JUST REMEMBER WE TOOK VERY SPECIFIC STEPPED WHEN WE CREATED A TIFF WHEN DEALING WITH WALLER SO IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING AT THIS POINT WE ARE ACTUALLY EXPLORING A TIFF, MAYBE NOT JUST AS THIS LOCATION BUT I WANTED TO MAKE SURE WE HADN'T LEFT THE STATION YET, IF YOU WILL.

OKAY.

MAYOR.

MAYOR WYNN: COUNCIL MEMBER McCRACKEN.

COUNCIL MEMBER MCCRACKEN: IT IS NOT MY INTENTION WE WILL HAVE AN ACTION ITEM AT SECOND READING FORMALLY ESTABLISHING A TIFF BUT IF WE ARE GOING TO DO THIS WE

HAVE TO GIVE THE COUNCIL SOME DIRECTION TO DO IT. IT IS A FAIR POINT, I HEARD AT ONE OF THE BRIEFINGS TO HAVE A REALISTIC IMPLEMENTATION PLAN ON HOW TO BUY A PARK, FOR INSTANCE, AND ALSO HOW TO CREATE THIS LEVEL OF AFFORDABLE AND THE LEVELS OF INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIRED WE SHOULD BE LOOKING AT TAX INCOUNTRY MEANTS AND FINANCING SO THE -- INCREMENTS AND FINANCING SO LETS GET THE PROCESS GOING BUT IT WOULD CERTAINLY NOT AS A RESULT IN A VOTE AT SECOND READING TO START TIFFING THAT AREA.

MAYOR WYNN: FURTHER COMMENTS, QUESTIONS. SO WHY DON'T WE TAKE SOME TESTIMONY THEN FROM THIS COMBINED CASE, 97, 98 AND 99. IN LOOKING AT THE SIGN UP SHEET IT LOOKS LIKE, FOR UNDERSTANDABLE REASONS, MORE FOLKS SIGNED UP FOR ITEMS NUMBER 97 AND IT LOOKS LIKE THE SAME FOLKS THAT SIGNED UP FOR 98 AND 99 SO I WILL USE THE 97 SIGN UP SHEET. SEEING THAT WE ONLY HAVE, YOU KNOW, 10, 15 MINUTES BEFORE WE BREAK FOR LIVE MUSIC AND PROCLAMATIONS, COUNCIL WITHOUT OBJECTION IT SO HAPPENS THERE IS ABOUT FIVE FOLKS WHO IS SIGNED UP TO SPEAK IN OPPOSITION OF THIS CASE AS PRESENTED, WE COULD TAKE THAT 15 MINUTES WORTH OF TESTIMONY, THEN BREAK FOR OUR LIVE MUSIC AND PROCLAMATIONS AND COME BACK AND TAKE FOLKS IN FAVOR OR NEUTRAL AND THEN CONTINUE DIALOGUE. SO WITHOUT OBJECTION, WE WILL NOW TAKE UP OUR CITIZEN TESTIMONY. OUR FIRST SPEAKER TO SIGN UP IS STEVE POOL. WELCOME, MR. POOL. VUL THREE MINUTES TO BE -- YOU WILL HAVE THREE MINUTES TO BE FOLLOWED BY TOM CLARK AND FOLLOWED BY KATIE CLARK. WELCOME.

GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR AND COUNCIL. I LIVE -- I WANT TO TALK ABOUT THE CIRCULATION CONCEPT PLAN. I LIVE AT THE CORNER OF WILD AND PAYNE AND ONE OF THE PROPOSALS IN THAT CIRCULATION CONCEPT PLAN IS TO EXTEND PAYNE TO LAMAR SO I'M NATURALLY VERY INTERESTED IN THAT PROPOSAL AND I OPPOSE THAT AND MY NEIGHBOR HERE WITH ME ALSO PROPOSES THAT. THIS HAND OUT THAT I HAVE AGIVEN YOU, THAT IS DOWN APT NUMBER 7 THAT I CIRCLED, THAT EXTENSION. PAYNE GOES TO BURNETT LANE WHICH IS CLOSE TO BURNETT ROAD AND IF PAYNE WOULD EXTEND TO LAMAR IT WOULD BE EASY FOR PEOPLE TO CUT THROUGH FROM BURNETT TO LAMAR AND THAT IS ONE THING I'M WORRIED ABOUT. IT WON'T BE USED FOR NEIGHBORHOOD TRAFFIC BUT CUT-THROUGH TRAFFIC. ACCORDING TO ONE OF MY NEIGHBORS ABOUT EIGHT YEARS AGO THERE WAS AN APPLIANCE REPAIR CASE AND TRYING TO CUT THROUGH THEIR LOT TO GET FROM LAMAR TO BURNETT USING PAYNE AND THEY PUT UP A GATE AND THAT STOPPED THAT. BUT JUST INDICATED THAT PEOPLE WOULD BE WILLING TO USE PAYNE TO CUT THROUGH. ALSO, OUR STREET, PAYNE IS FAIRLY NARROW AND WHEN YOU ARE DRIVING TON, IT IS LIKE AN OBSTACLE COURSE. A LOT OF US DON'T HAVE GOVERNS AND WE PARK IN THE ROAD SO YOU HAVE TO PLAY RUSSIAN ROULETTE TO GET THROUGH SO IT IS VERY NARROW AND MORE TRAFFIC WOULD CAUSE EVEN MORE PROBLEMS. AND A LOTS OF KID THE LIVE ON PAYNE, INCLUDING MY 7-YEAR-OLD AND ONE OF HIS FAVORITE THINGS IS TO BE IN THE FRONT YARD AND GO TO THE NEIGHBORS HOUSES AND PLAY WITH THE KIDS IN THE FRONT YARD AND IF IT WAS CONNECTED AND THERE WAS A LOT OF CUT-THROUGH TRAFFIC I

WOULD BE WORRIED ABOUT HIM OUT THERE IN THE FRONT. ALSO, I DON'T SEE REALLY A NEED FOR THE CONNECTION DOWN THERE AT THE BOTTOM WHERE I PUT THE EIGHT, THAT IS WITH IT CONNECTED TO LAMAR AND AT THREE, BRENTWOOD CONNECTED TO LAMAR TWO BLOCKS AWAY FROM PAYNE, A UP AT TWO JUSTIN CONNECTED TO LAMAR SO IT SEEMS TO ME THERE IS ALREADY PLENTY OF CONNECTIONS. I WOULD LIKE TO SEE, INSTEAD 56 ROAD CONNECTING PAYNE TO LAMAR A PEDESTRIAN PATH OR BICYCLE PATH THAT WOULD BE GREAT. IF WILD IS, WILD IS THE NORTH SOUTH STREET THERE AT SEVEN, IF IT GOES UP TO THE STATION AS PROPOSED HERE, THEN WE WOULDN'T NEED TO GO OUT TO LAMAR, YOU KNOW, THE NEIGHBORHOOD WOULDN'T NEED TO GO TO LAMAR TO GET TO THE STATION, WE COULD JUST GO ON PAYNE. ANOTHER THING WHICH I DON'T IF IT IS IN THE PLAN, I KNOW THAT THE PLAN TALKED ABOUT SIDEWALK INSIDE THE TOD BUT I DIDN'T SEE ANYTHING ABOUT SIDEWALKS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND I -- [BEEPING] OUR SIDEWALK IS HORRIBLE SO IF YOU COULD DO SOMETHING ABOUT SIDEWALKS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD IT WOULD BE GREAT.

MAYOR WYNN: THANK YOU, MR. POOL.

THANKS.

MAYOR WYNN: THE NEXT SPEAKER IS TOM CLARK. TOM CLARK SIGNED UP WISHING TO SPEAK IN OPPOSITION. WELCOME. YOU HAVE THREE MINUTES. TO BE FOLLOWED BY KATIE CLARK. YOU ARE WELCOME TO USE THAT ONE OR SIT AT THE TABLE, EITHER WAY. THERE IS A SWITCH ON THE -- A SWITCH ON THE MIC, I THINK.

I'M, I THINK THIS OPENING UP ALL THE STREETS THROUGH CRESTVIEW IS A REALLY GOOD IDEA, ESPECIALLY SINCE WE GOT OUR NEW WAL-MART COME IN, THE BIGGEST WAL-MART IN CENTRAL TEXAS. BIGGEST RETAIL OUTLET IN CENTRAL TEXAS. A THIRD BIGGER THAN CABELL LAS, BIGGER THAN IKEA, THE ONLY THING WE'VE GOT GOING THERE IS BURNETT ROAD AN AN AND ANDERSON LANE. WE SHOULD CALL THE WAL-MART EXPRESS WAY THAT WOULD BE MORE APPROPRIATE FOR SUCH A BIG STORE. AND THE PEOPLE IN THIS NEIGHBORHOOD, YOU KNOW, THEY JUST THINK THE STREETS ARE THEIR SIDEWALKS. PEOPLE THINK THE STREET IS THEIR SIDEWALK, THEY ARE OUT THERE WITH THEIR KIDS AND DOGS AND I WANT TO GET OUT THERE, THESE PEOPLE PAY OUTRAGEOUS PROPERTY TAXES. THE IDEA OF OPENING UP JUSTIN LANE, GOING ON THROUGH, IS A REALLY GOOD IDEA. AND WE'LL JUST CALL THAT, MAYBE, CRESTVIEW AVENUE. BECAUSE THESE PEOPLE ARE JUST IN OUR WAY, AND IT IS A SAFE ISSUE. THE MORE PEOPLE, THE MORE TRAFFIC WE CAN GET GOING THROUGH THERE, THE LESS THESE PEOPLE WILL THINK THE STREETS ARE THEIR PLACE TO PLAY, AND THEY'LL START STAYING IN THEIR HOUSES MORE AND IT WILL MAKE EVERYTHING A WHOLE LOT SAFER. I'M ALSO THINKING THAT -- LOST TRACK. OH, THERE IS A GUY IN A WHEELCHAIR THAT WALKS HIS DOG IN THE STREET. THAT IS CRAZY. ANYWAY, -- I'M SAYING THESE PEOPLE SHOULD SELL THEIR HOUSE, GET A CADILLAC ESCALATE, DVD, AND DRIVE OUT TO WHERE THE PROPERTY TAXES AREN'T SO HIGH AND THEY CAN SAVE A LOT OF MONEY. AND CRESTVIEW AVENUE, MIGHT BE A LONG THING TO

PUT ON YOUR ADDRESS, BUT THIS IS WHAT YOU GET FOR LIVING THERE. THESE PEOPLE SHOULDN'T BE PLAYING IN THE STREETS. THANKS.

MAYOR WYNN: THANK YOU, MR. CLARK. OUR NEXT SPEAKER IS KITTY CLARK. YOU WILL HAVE THREE MINUTE TO BE FOLLOWED BY JENNIFER MCFAIL.

THANK YOU FOR HAVING US. MOST OF YOU KNOW THAT I LIVE IN HYDE PARK AND WONDER WHAT I'M DOING HERE FOR CRESTVIEW. THAT IS MY CYNICAL SON THAT LIVES IN CRESTVIEW. BUT MY WAY THERE IS A LOT OF SIMILARITY BETWEEN HYDE PARK AND CRESTVIEW, BOTH ARE MOSTLY SMALL FAMILIES, SINGLE FAMILY HOMES, AND A LOT OF BICYCLES, CHILDREN WALKING, BABY CARRIAGES BEING PUSHED BY MOTHERS, IT IS A PEDESTRIAN/BICYCLE NEIGHBORHOOD. BOTH NEIGHBORHOODS ARE. AND WHEN WE WORKED IN HYDE PARK ON TRAFFIC CALMING, IT WAS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THE CITY WAS VERY INTERESTED IN HAVING TRAFFIC CALMING AND ALL OF THESE NEIGHBORHOODS, AND IT WAS ONE OF THEIR PRIORITIES. WELL, IT HAS BEEN A WHILE SINCE WE'VE DONE THAT IN HYDE PARK BUT MAYBE YOU DON'T CONSIDER TRAFFIC CALMING A PRIORITY IN NEIGHBORHOODS ANY MORE. BUT IT SHOULD BE. AND WHEN THEY USED TO BE THAT AT MORROW THERE WAS A LEFT-AND TURN THERE AS YOU GO INTO CRESTVIEW NEIGHBORHOOD. THE NEIGHBORHOOD WORKED LONG AND HARD TO GET THAT LEFT HAND TURN TAKEN AWAY, AND IT DID A GREAT DEAL TO IMPROVE THE SAFETY AND THE CALMNESS OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD. I CANNOT SEE HOW IT IS TO THE ADVANTAGE OF CAP METRO AND THE STATION TO CHANGE THESE INTERSECTIONS OF MORROW AND JUSTIN AT LAMAR. YOU'RE GOING TO -- IF DO YOU THAT, YOU'RE MAKING TWO FREEWAYS THROUGH RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOOD. AND IF YOU LOOK AT CRESTVIEW FROM THE LANE DOWN TO ANDERSON LANE, EXCEPT FOR THE LITTLE CRESTVIEW SHOPPING CENTER, IT IS ALL NEIGHBORHOOD. IT IS ALL RESIDENCES, THERE IS NO COMMERCIAL PLACES AT ALL THERE. AND I DO NOT THINK THAT IT IS GOING TO BE GOOD FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD TO CHANGE THESE INTO THOROUGH FARES, SPEEDWAYS, THROUGH THE NEIGHBORHOOD. AND I'M SURE THAT STREETS ARE NOT THAT WIDE, THERE ARE SOME OF THEM ARE CURVES AND YOU CAN'T SEE AROUND THEM. THERE IS A POTENTIAL THERE FOR ACCIDENTS. ESPECIALLY THERE BY THE LITTLE SHOPPING CENTER. [ONE MOMENT PLEASE FOR CHANGE IN CAPTIONERS]

WE OPPOSED THE CONCEPT BUT BECAUSE WE'RE CONCERNED ABOUT THE LACK OF TRULY AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR VERY LOW INCOME PEOPLE, AND WHEN I SAY VERY LOW INCOME OF COURSE I MEAN PEOPLE ON SSI WHO MAKE ANNUALLY ABOUT \$7,644 ANNUALLY, WHICH MEANS THAT THEY DON'T HAVE VERY MANY OPTIONS FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN THE CITY, AND WE BELIEVE THAT THE SUBSIDIES SHOULD BE DEEPER. ONE THING I FORGOT TO PUT IN THE WRITTEN COMMENTS THAT I'LL GIVE YOU TONIGHT IS THAT ONE WAY TO RELIEVE THE PRESSURES ON PEOPLE WHO NEED TRULY AFFORDABLE HOUSING IS TO REQUIRE THAT ALL HOUSING BEING DEVELOPED IN THE TO TOD AREAS TAKE SECTION 8. IT'S BUDGET NEUTRAL TO THE CITY AND IT'S BUDGET NEUTRAL TO THE DEVELOPER AND IT'S SOMETHING VERY SIMPLE THAT YOU CAN DO. IT'S ALREADY

REQUIRED OF TAX CREDIT PROJECTS BY THE STATE, SO PART OF IT WILL BE REQUIRED. IT'S JUST MAKING SURE THAT EVERYBODY HAS THAT EQUAL REQUIREMENT. AND THEN THE LAST POINT THAT WE WANTED TO BE SURE TO BE ON RECORD TO MAKE IS THAT SIDEWALKS SHOULD BE ACCESSIBLE IN THE TOD AREAS EITHER THROUGH FILLING IN GAPS THAT EXIST IN THE SIDEWALK NETWORK OR REPAIRING EXISTING SIDEWALK. AND I'LL JUST CLOSE BY SAYING THAT I LEARNED TO READ AND WRITE AT WOOTEN ELEMENTARY AND I ALSO LEARNED THE MEANING OF DISCRIMINATION, BECAUSE IF MY BUS DIDN'T MAKE IT TO SCHOOL AND WAS NOT ONE OF THE FIRST BUSES MAKING IT TO SCHOOL, I HAD TO DEBOARD THE BUS AND TRAVEL IN ONCOMING TRAFFIC TO GET TO SCHOOL. SO IT OBVIOUSLY HAS A PROFOUND EFFECT ON PEOPLE BECAUSE HERE I AM ABOUT 30 YEARS LATER TALKING ABOUT THE ISSUE. THANKS.

MAYOR WYNN: THANK YOU, JENNIFER. OUR NEXT SPEAKER IS DAVID WITTY. THANK YOU, DAVID. YOU TOO WILL BE HAVE THREE MINUTES.

THANK YOU MAWR AND COUNCIL. I'M WITH ADOPT A TEXAS, AND WE'RE NOT REALLY SPEAKING IN OPPOSITION TO THE TOD BUT IN OPPOSITION TO SPECIFIC SECTIONS OF IT, SPECIFICALLY THE HOUSING ELEMENT, BECAUSE WE'RE CONCERNED ABOUT THE LACK OF AFFORDABLE, ACCESSIBLE INTEGRATED HOUSING. I JUST WANT TO TAKE A BRIEF DETOUR FOR A MOMENT IF I CAN TO COMMENT THAT PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION IS VERY IMPORTANT TO EVERY COMMUNITY AND IT HELPS TO BUILD THE VITALITY AND KEEP PEOPLE MOVING TO THEIR JOBS AND THEIR FAMILIES AND THEIR FRIENDS AND IT KEEPS THE MONEY FLOWING INTO AND OUT OF THE COMMUNITY. SO IT'S VERY IMPORTANT TO HAVE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION. I USED IT EVERY DAY. JENNIFER AND I RUN INTO THE BUSES. EVEN THOUGH WE KNOW EACH OTHER, WE JUST HAPPEN TO BE OUT IN THE COMMUNITIES DOING OUR DIFFERENT THINGS AT DIFFERENT TIMES AND WE SEE EACH OTHER DRIVING DOWN THE STREET IN THE SIDEWALKS WHERE THERE ARE SOME AND IN THE STREETS WHERE THERE ARE NOT SOME. SO LIKE SHE SAID, THE SIDEWALK IS VERY IMPORTANT. SPECIFICALLY TO THE HOUSING, I'D LIKE TO SAY THE PLAN HAS BEEN DESCRIBED ON PAGE 1 OR 2, THE PLAN IS BEING DESCRIBED AS AMBITIOUS. WE BELIEVE IT'S NOT AMBITIOUS ENOUGH. THE VERY, VERY LOW -- JENNIFER SAYS THE VERY LOW INCOME HOUSING SHOULD BE AVAILABLE. WELL, I'M IN THE VERY, VERY LOW INCOME HOUSING BRACKET, SO I ASPIRE TO BE LOW INCOME. SOME OF THE THINGS THAT SHE MENTIONED, I DON'T WANT TO GO OVER AGAIN. I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT THE AFFORDABILITY REQUIREMENTS SHOULD BE REVIEWED MORE THAN ONCE. IT WAS MENTIONED THAT ONE YEAR AFTER THE IMPLEMENTATION IN THE PLAN IS THE ONLY REVIEW TIME THAT THEY'VE DESCRIBED, AND WE THINK THAT THE REVIEW SHOULD OCCUR AT LEAST EVERY FIVE YEARS, THAT THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING AVAILABILITY SHOULD BE BASED ON THE NUMBER OF UNITS, NOT THE HABITABLE SQUARE FOOTAGE. THE DEVELOPER SHOULD BE ABLE TO PROVIDE AS MUCH HOUSING, EVEN THOUGH THE NUMBER OF UNITS MAY REQUIRE THAT THEY BE THE SMALLER ONE BEDROOM UNITS. WE BELIEVE THAT WILL ACTUALLY RESULT IN MORE HOUSING FOR A GREATER NUMBER OF PEOPLE THAN THE 80% MFI WOULD MAKE AVAILABLE FOR FOLKS WHO ARE IN THE VERY ACTION VERY LOW INCOME BRACKETS. ON THE

RECOMMENDATION NO. 4 FROM THE PLAN, WHERE THERE'S A MENU OF INCENTIVES TO BE PROVIDED TO THE DEVELOPERS IN EXCHANGE FOR AFFORDABILITY, WE REALLY THINK THAT THERE SHOULD BE A GREATER NUMBER OF INCENTIVES AVAILABLE BECAUSE THAT JUST DOES NOT PROVIDE ENOUGH INCENTIVES FOR FOLKS WHO ARE AT THE VERY, VERY LOW END OF THE INCOME BRACKETS, AND FINALLY, MANY PEOPLE WITH WILL EFFECTIVELY BE PRICED OUT, ENSURING MUCH LESS DIVERSITY AND AFFORDABILITY, WHICH IS ONE OF THE MAIN TENANTS OF THE PLAN THAT IS PROPOSED. THE DEEP SUBSIDIES THAT WERE MENTIONED EARLIER BY REPRESENTATIVE FROM McALVER ASSOCIATES, WE'RE WONDERING HOW DEEP THOSE SUBSIDIES ARE AND HOW THEY'D BE PROVIDED. THANK YOU.

MAYOR WYNN: THANK YOU, DAVID. SO COUNCIL, THAT'S OUR FIRST FIVE OR SO CITIZENS TO GIVE US TESTIMONY. IT TAKES US PAST OUR 5:30 BREAK FOR LIVE MUSIC AND PROCLAMATIONS. WE HAVE ABOUT APPROXIMATELY 30 MINUTES WORTH OF ADDITIONAL TESTIMONY. IT LOOKS LIKE MOST FOLKS IN FAVOR OF THIS PLAN. SO WITHOUT OBJECTION WE'LL RECESS THIS MEETING OF THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL SPECIFICALLY FOR THE LIVE MUSIC AND PROCLAMATIONS WINDOW, AND THEN COME BACK IN APPROXIMATELY 30 MINUTES FOR THE CONTINUATION OF CITIZEN TESTIMONY ON THIS COMBINED CASE 97, 98, 99. WE ARE NOW IN RECESS. STAY TUNED FOR KAT EDMONSON. BLANK LAMAR.

MAYOR WYNN: OKAY, FOLKS, CAN I HAVE YOUR ATTENTION. WELCOME BACK TO OUR WEEKLY LIVE MUSIC GIG HERE AT THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL MEETING. WE'RE IN FOR A TREAT TONIGHT BECAUSE JOINING US IS KAT EDMONSON. KAT'S MUSIC COMBINES THE SOUNDS OF OLD STANDARDS AND JAZZ TUNES WITH A HIGHLY DISTINCTIVE VOICE. HER RENDITIONS OF ELLA FITZGERALD AND FRANK SINATRA FAVORITES PLEASE THE ROWDIEST CITY COUNCIL CROWDS. KAT AND HER TRY ON PERFORM AT EDDIE V'S AND ONCE A MONTH AT THE ELEPHANT ROOM. SHE RELEASED A SINGLE ENTITLED BE THE CHANGE THAT YOU WANT TO SEE TO ENCOURAGE VOTING AND POSITIVE ACTIVISM. PLEASE JOIN ME IN WELCOMING KAT EDMONSON.

THANK YOU. [MUSIC PLAYING] [(music) SINGING (music)] TRIO TREEO [MUSIC[(music) SINGING (music)] [APPLAUSE]

THANK YOU.

I TOLD YOU-ALL SHE'D SHUT UP. [LAUGHTER]

THAT WAS FABULOUS. SO, KAT, IN ADDITION TO -- SO WE HADS AT EDDIE V'S SORT OF A HAPPY HOUR? WHAT TIME DO YOU NORMALLY PLAY?

A HAPPY HOUR, BUT WE ACTUALLY GO FOR FOUR HOURS, AND IT'S 7:00 UNTIL 11:00 EVERY WEDNESDAY NIGHT, AND I HAVE THAT POSTED ON MY MYSPACE PAGE, MY CALENDAR.

AND THAT'S MYSPACE KAT --

MYSPACE.COM/KAT EDMONSON WITH A K.

AND HOW OFTEN AND WHAT NIGHTS TYPICALLY WOULD THE ELEPHANT ROOM HAVE YOU.

TYPICALLY THAT'S ON A FRIDAY NIGHT. THAT HAPPENS ONCE A MONTH, AND MYSELF AND JOHN, WHO'S PLAYING THE BASS, JOHN FREMDEN. [APPLAUSE] [APPLAUSE]

THANK YOU. AND A PIANO PLAYER NAMED KEVIN LOVE JOY AND WE OFTEN HAVE OTHER VARIOUS JAZZ PLAYERS PLAYING WITH US, USUALLY A HORN PLAYER, A DRUMMER, SOMETIMES A PERCUSSIONIST SITTING IN.

AND THE SINGLE IS AVAILABLE ON-LINE, I GUESS, RIGHT?

THE SINGLE IS AVAILABLE ON-LINE AT CD BABY, AND IT WILL SOON BE AVAILABLE AT ITUNES AND AMAZON AND OTHER VARIOUS DIGITAL SITES. MOST IMPORTANTLY, THOUGH, FOR ALL AUSTINITES, IT'S AVAILABLE AT WATER LOOK WATERLOO RECORDS AND ALL THE PROCEEDS ARE GOING TO CAPITAL AREA FOOD BANK OF TEXAS. [APPLAUSE]

THANK YOU.

MAYOR WYNN: OKAY. WELL, THEN BEFORE YOU GET AWAY, I HAVE THE OFFICIAL PROCLAMATION THAT READS, THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS IS BLESSED WITH MANY CREATIVE MUSICIANS WHOSE TALENTS EXTENDS TO EVERY MUSICAL JOHN ROW AND OUR MUSE SCENE THRIVES BOW AUDIENCE SUPPORT THEM, PRODUCED BY LOCAL LEGENDS AND NEW COMERS ALIKE, WE'RE PLEASED TO SHOWCASE OUR LOCAL ARTISTS, SO THEREFORE I, WILL WYNN, MAYOR OF THE LIVE MUSIC CAPITAL OF THE WORLD DO HEREBY PROCLAIM TODAY, APRIL 24, 2008 AS KAT EDMONSON DAY HERE IN AUSTIN AND JOIN ON ALL CITIZENS TO JOIN ME IN CONGRATULATING A GREAT TALENT.

THANK YOU. AND I'M SO GLAD TO BE SUPPORTED BY THE CITY OF AUSTIN. IT'S WONDERFUL. THANK YOU.

MAYOR WYNN: WE'RE PROUD TO HAVE YOU.

SO WHILE KAT AND JOHN BREAK DOWN ON THAT SIDE OF THE ROOM WE WILL USE THIS PODIUM TO DO OUR WEEKLY PROCLAMATIONS. WE TAKE THIS TIME EACH WEEK, AS YOU PROBABLY KNOW, TO RAISE AWARENESS ABOUT AN ISSUE, TO SAY CONGRATULATIONS TO SOMEBODY AND TO SAY GOOD-BYE TO OLD FRIENDS, BUT WE'RE HERE, MY FIRST PROCLAMATION IS REGARDING AUSTIN WATER SCIENCE EXPO DAYS. I'LL READ THE PROCLAMATION AND GREG IS GOING TO TALK ABOUT WHY THE CITY, IN THIS CASE OUR WATER AND WASTEWATER UTILITY, TRYING TO SPONSOR EX-OPPOSES LIKE AUSTIN

ENERGY DOES AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS, TO TRY TO KEEP AS MANY PEOPLE, AND YOUNG PEOPLE, AWARE OF THE OPPORTUNITIES. OKAY. SO I'LL READ THE PROC AND WE'LL HEAR FROM GREG. THE PROCLAMATION READS: THE AUSTIN WATER SCIENCE EXPO PROVIDES EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS AND WORKS COOPERATIVELY WITH AREA SCHOOLS TO ENGAGE THE FIFTH AND SIXTH GRADERS IN LEARNING ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF WATER AND IN PROMOTING COMMITMENT TO ITS EFFICIENT USE AND WHEREAS SINCE 1999 AUSTIN WATER SCIENCE EXPO HAS REACHED MORE THAN 22,000 PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOL STUDENTS, AND WHEREAS WE CONGRATULATE THIS YEAR'S 800 PARTICIPANTS ON THEIR INVOLVEMENT IN THE PROGRAM, AND WE THANK THE AUSTIN WATER UTILITY, OUR COMMUNITY-OWNED WATER UTILITY, FOR SPONSORING THIS SIGNIFICANT EVENT FOR THE 9TH YEAR IN A ROW. SO THEREFORE I, WILL WYNN, MAYOR OF AUSTIN, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE DAYS MAY 8 AND 9, 2008 AS THE AUSTIN WATER SCENES EXPO, AND ASK GREG, OUR DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR, TO TALK ABOUT THE EVENT AND WHY THE PROFESSIONAL MEN AND WOMEN OF OUR UTILITY ARE SO INVOLVED. GREG?

THANK YOU, MAYOR. [APPLAUSE]

THANK YOU, MAYOR. I DON'T THINK THERE'S ANYTHING AS REWARDING FOR PROFESSIONALS TO MENTOR OTHERS AND TO INSPIRE THE YOUTH FOR THE FUTURE, AND REALLY THAT'S THE HEART AND SOUL OF OUR SCIENCE EXPO, THAT WE REACH OUT DURING NATIONAL DRINKING WATER WEEK TO OUR COMMUNITY'S CHILDREN TO INSPIRE THEM, TO UNDERSTAND THE SCIENCE BEHIND WATER, TO PERHAPS ONE DAY CONSIDER A PROFESSION IN THE WATER INDUSTRY, TO INSTALL THE VIRTUES OF CONSERVATION AND THE PRECIOUS RESOURCES OF WATER, AND IT'S A GREAT WAY FOR DOZENS OF OUR STAFF FROM AUSTIN WATER TO INTERACT WITH HUNDREDS OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITY. AND THIS YEAR IT'S BEING HELD ON MAY 8 AND 9 FROM 9:00 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M. AT THE TRAVIS COUNTY EXPO CENTER, AND THERE WILL BE, AGAIN, HUNDREDS OF CHILDREN OUT THERE, AND WE ENCOURAGE -- IT'S KIND OF A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE BASIS. WE'LL HAVE A LOT OF WORKSHOPS AND VARIOUS BOOTHS FOR FOLKS TO LEARN ABOUT HOW WE TREAT WATER AND THE SCIENCE BEHIND IT AND REALLY THE VALUE OF PUBLIC WATER IN TODAY'S WORLD. AND MANY OF MY STAFF WILL BE OUT THERE AMONG OTHERS, AND MAYOR WE'RE JUST REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO IT ON ON HOPE THIS EVENT CONTINUES FOR A LONG TIME IN THE FUTURE.

MAYOR WYNN: THANKS VERY MUCH. THANKS, GREG. [APPLAUSE] GENRE

MAYOR WYNN: OKAY. I'M JOINED BY A QUARTET OF MEMBERS OF THE CAPITAL AREA PARKINSON'S SOCIETY, AND SO AFTER I READ THE PROCLAMATION WE'LL HEAR FROM THE LADIES, AGAIN, TO RAISE AWARENESS AND HOPEFULLY A CALL TO ACTION FOR THOSE OF US IN THE COMMUNITY. -- REGARDING PARKINSON'S DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH, WHICH IS THIS ENTIRE MONTH. SO THE PROCLAMATION READS, PARKINSON'S IS A BRAIN DISORDER IN WHICH A PERSON'S MOVEMENT BECOMES IMPAIRED. COMMON SIGNS OF DISEASE INCLUDE TREMORS OR UNCONTROLLED SHAKING, RIGID MOVEMENT, SLOW MOVEMENT,

AND DIFFICULTY MAINTAINING BALANCE, AND WHEREAS MORE THAN 60,000 PEOPLE WILL BE DIAGNOSED WITH PARKINSON'S IN THE U.S. THIS YEAR AND THERE IS NO KNOWN CURE. EVEN ITS CAUSE IS UNCLEAR SINCE IT AFFECTS MEN AND WOMEN OF ALL SOCIAL, ETHNIC AND ECONOMIC BACKGROUNDS. AND WHEREAS THE CAPITAL AREA PARKINSON'S SOCIETY, OR CAPS, WORKS CLOSELY WITH PARKINSONIANS AND FAMILIES BY PROVIDING EDUCATION, SUPPORT AND HELP AND UNDERSTANDING FOR THOSE LIVING WITH THE DISEASE AND THEIR CAREGIVERS. THEREFORE I, WILL WYNN, MAYOR OF AUSTIN, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM AND REMIND EVERYBODY THAT APRIL OF THIS YEAR, 2008, IS PARKINSON'S DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH IN AUSTIN, AND PLEASE JOIN ME IN HANGING THESE WOMEN FROM CAPS WHO HAVE DONE SUCH A GOOD JOB, BECAUSE THEY'LL NOW TELL US MORE ABOUT WHAT WE NEED TO KNOW AND HOW WE CAN HELP. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, MAYOR WYNN. WE APPRECIATE IT VERY MUCH AND WE'RE VERY PROUD THAT WE HAVE THIS PROCLAMATION, AND TO MAKE PEOPLE AWARE OF THIS DISEASE. WE -- CAPS, CAPITAL AREA PARKINSON'S SOCIETY, WAS ESTABLISHED ABOUT 25 YEARS AGO AND IS GROWING, AND OF COURSE THE DISEASE IS GROWING VERY, VERY RAPIDLY WITH THE BABY BOOMERS COMING ON, AND SO WE'VE GOT A BIG PROBLEM AHEAD OF US. WE'VE GOT TO WORK VERY HARD, AND OUR SOCIETY, IS HERE IN AUSTIN, WE HAVE AN OFFICE, AND WE SUPPORT AND EDUCATE PEOPLE ON THE DISEASE. WE MEET THE THIRD SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH IN THE McFAD ENAUDITORIUM IN SETON HOSPITAL, AND ANYONE THAT HAS SOMEONE IN THEIR FAMILY OR KNOWS SOMEONE THAT HAS PARKINSON'S AND WANTS TO KNOW MORE ABOUT THE DISEASE, BECAUSE THIS IS THE ONLY WAY YOU'RE GOING TO COPE WITH THIS DISEASE IS TO BE EDUCATED ON IT. SO I AM ONE OF THE PRESIDENTS, SUEDE LIGHT FOOT HERE IS THE OTHER CO-PRESIDENT THIS YEAR, AND I'M GOING TO TURN IT OVER TO HER.

HIGH, FOLKS. AS CO-PRESIDENT THIS YEAR, 2008, KITTY HOSKINS AND I HAVE WORKED VERY, VERY HARD TO BRING THE COMMUNITY AND ALSO OUTREACH AREAS TOGETHER TO HELP LEARN MORE ABOUT PARKINSON'S DISEASE. I HAVE BEEN VERY INSTRUMENTAL IN STARVING AND SUPPORTING CREATING OUTREACH GROUPS FROM BASTROP TO GORGE TOWN TO BURNET, ALL AROUND THE AREA, WORKING WITH THE DIFFERENT AREAS, AND WE WANT TO BE AWARE AND ALL OF YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS TO BE AWARE OF PARKINSON'S DISEASE AND HELP EDUCATE OTHERS, AND AS A GROUP ALL TOGETHER WHAT WE TRY TO DO IS OFFER SUPPORT TO ONE ANOTHER, TO THOSE WITH PARKINSON'S AND TO CAREGIVERS, WIVES, SPOUSES AND PARTNERS. AND WORKING WITH ME FOR YEARS HAS BEEN MAXINE JENKS, AND SHE'S GOING TO SPEAK JUST A SECOND.

THANK YOU. I'M MAXINE JENKS. I'M THE CAREGIVER FACILITATOR FOR THE CAPITAL AREA PARKINSON'S SOCIETY, AND WHAT THAT MEANS IS ONCE A QUARTER WE HAVE A MEETING WHERE JUST CAREGIVERS ATTEND, BECAUSE OUR CAREGIVERS ARE UNDER A GREAT DEAL OF STRESS. OUR NEXT MEETING ACTUALLY IS THIS COMING SATURDAY AT 2:00 AT PARSONS HOUSE, WHERE WE HAVE AN OFFICE, NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC BUT AN OFFICE FOR OUR USE AND WHERE WE'LL BE MEETING TO MEET WITH CAREGIVERS, ANY

CAREGIVER OF A PARKINSON'S, THEY'RE WELCOME TO ATTEND. I'M THE LEGISLATIVE LIAISON TO THE CAPITAL AREA PARKINSON'S SOCIETY FOR ISSUES THAT AFFECT PARKINSONIANS. WE HOPE YOU KEEP US IN MIND ANYTIME YOU HEAR OF SOMEONE WITH PARKINSON'S.

AND I'M ROBIN HARRISON. I'M WITH PARSONS HELP IN AUSTIN, INDEPENDENT AND ASSISTED LIVING, AND WE ARE HOME TO THE CAPS, THEIR HOME OFFICE, AND IT'S AN ORGANIZATION WE'RE VERY PROUD TO HOST. THESE LADIES IN THIS GROUP DOES A LOT FOR THE COMMUNITY, NOT JUST OUR RESIDENTS. SO IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THAT PEOPLE ARE AWARE OF THIS AND DO USE THEM AS A RESOURCE.

MAYOR WYNN, I'M GOING TO GIVE YOU THIS LITTLE PIN, AND IT'S A TULIP. IT'S A RED AND WHITE TULIP WHICH IS THE FLOWER OF HOPE FOR PARKINSON'S. I HOPE YOU'LL AWARE IT PROUDLY.

MAYOR WYNN: I WILL GLAD RI WEAR IT.

AND HERE'S LOTS OF BROCHURES.

MAYOR WYNN: THANK YOU LADIES.

ALL RIGHT. [APPLAUSE]

MAYOR WYNN: THANKS FOR ALL YOU'RE DOING.

MAYOR WYNN: I'LL PUT MY PIN ON HERE, CHARLES GORHAM, WE'LL HAVE OUR NEXT PROCLAMATION REGARDING FAIR HOUSING MONTH. EXCUSE ME. SO SIMILAR FASHION, I'LL READ THE PROCLAMATION AND THEN WE'LL HEAR FROM CHARLES AND ALL THE WORK THAT WE DO VIS-A-VIS HOUSING. IT WASN'T THAT LONG AGO, MAYBE FIVE, EIGHT YEARS AGO, THAT THERE WAS SORT OF AN ANNUAL SURVEY DONE, AND AS PROUD AS WE ARE OF LOTS OF DYNAMICS IN AUSTIN/CENTRAL TEXAS, MANY OF US WERE SORT OF STUNNED TO LEARN THAT FROM A FAIR HOUSING STANDPOINT THERE WERE LOTS OF ESSENTIALLY VIOLATIONS OUT IN THE COMMUNITY OF TRYING TO SHOW IMARCH IRCH PARTIAL TI FOR FOLKS LOOKING FOR HOUSING, SO THE CITY AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS STEPPED UP. SOME OF OUR EFFORTS, MUCH OF IT RELATED TO EDUCATION AND AWARENESS, TO MAKE SURE THAT EVERYBODY WHO CAN GET HOUSING IN THIS CITY AND COMMUNITY HAS A FAIR SHOT AT THAT. THIS PROCLAMATION READS. THIS YEAR WE COMMEMORATE THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SIGNING OF THE FAIR HOUSING ACT IN 1968 AND ITS AMENDMENT IN 1988, WHICH PROVIDES SAFE, AFFORDABLE HOUSING AS A PART OF THE AMERICAN DREAM AND OPENED THAT POSSIBILITY TO EVERYONE REGARDLESS OF RACE, COLOR, SEX, NATIONAL ORIGIN, RELIGION, DISABILITY OR FAMILIAL STATUS. THE CITY OF AUSTIN IS LIKEWISE DEDICATED TO ENSURING THAT ALL CITIZENS RECEIVE EQUAL TREATMENT WHEN BUYING OR RENTING A HOME, WE ENCOURAGE EVERYONE TO RECOGNIZE THE IMPORTANT

FAIR HOUSING ALTITUDE AND REMOVE LIMITS THAT LIMIT ACCESS AND CHOICE. THEREFORE I, WILL WYNN, MAYOR OF AUSTIN, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM APRIL 2008 ALSO AS FAIR HOUSING MONTH IN AUSTIN AND ASK CHARLES GORHAM TO STEP UP AND TELL US MORE ABOUT WHAT WE ARE DOING AT THE CITY TO ENSURE THAT FAIR HOUSING IS AVAILABLE FOR AS MANY FOLKS WHO CAN AFFORD IT. CHARLES?

I'D LIKE TO THANK THE MAYOR FOR HIS COOPERATION IN ISSUING THE PROCLAMATION EACH AND EVERY YEAR THAT HE'S BENEFIT MAYOR. HE'S BEEN INTIMATELY INVOLVED WITH SOME OF THE THINGS THAT WE DO AND WE TRY TO DO AS MUCH AS WE CAN FOR THE CITIZENS OF AUSTIN BY DOING INVESTIGATIONS. MY OFFICE IS THE OFFICE OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, EQUAL EMPLOYMENT FOR HOUSING OFFICE, AND WE DO THE INVESTIGATIONS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF AUSTIN. WE PROVIDE SERVICES TO THE CITIZENS OF AUSTIN BY HAVING THEM COME INTO THE OFFICE TO FILE CHARGES OF DISCRIMINATION WHERE THEY BELIEVE THAT THEY'RE BEING DENIED HOUSING. IT CAN BE EITHER RENTAL OR PURCHASE OR PERHAPS IN THE FINANCING OF HOUSES, AND IT'S A ROUNDED EFFORT THAT WE TRY TO DO IN DEALING WITH THESE PARTICULAR PROBLEMS WITHIN THE AREA. I'M HAPPY TO SAY THAT IN YEARS PAST I'VE ISSUED WHAT IS CALLED A CHARGE, WHICH MEANS THAT WE HAVE FOUND MORE THAN ENOUGH EVIDENCE TO SHOW THAT DISCRIMINATION HAS OCCURRED, AND THREE YEARS AGO WE HAD APPROXIMATELY FILED, I DO BELIEVE, SOMEWHERE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF ABOUT 38 CHARGES THAT WE WERE ABLE TO CONCILIATE THROUGH NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE LEGAL DEPARTMENT, AND MORGAN IS HERE AND SHE CAN TESTIFY TO THAT. WE CONTINUE TO DO THE BEST WE CAN IN THE AREA IN TRYING TO PROVIDE AS MUCH EDUCATION AS WE CAN. I MYSELF GO OUT ON A CONTINUOUS BASIS TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TO NOT ONLY HOUSING PROVIDERS BUT TO INDIVIDUALS AND GROUPS THAT ARE INTERESTED IN KNOWING WHAT THEIR RIGHTS ARE AS FAR AS THAT'S CONCERNED. AND THAT GIVES ME SEGUE INTO ALSO DOING A LITTLE PITCH HERE FOR WHAT WE'RE DOING ON SATURDAY, APRIL THE 26TH, AT THE ROSE -- AT THE PARQUE -- I GOT MY NAME CONFUSED.

SAIR GHOST A?

NO, NOTICES IT'S NOT -- IT'S 2606 GONZALES STREET AND WE'RE HAVING WHAT IS CALLED A TOWN HALL MEETING AND THE PURPOSE IS TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TO ALL CITIZENS OF AUSTIN. THE THEME IS DO YOU KNOW WHAT YOUR RIGHTS CIVIL RIGHTS ARE AS A CITIZEN OF AUSTIN. WE HAVE APPROXIMATELY BETWEEN 15 AND 20 ORGANIZATIONS THAT WILL BE PROVIDING INFORMATION AND THEY WILL DO A PRESENTATION AND THEN THE CITIZENS WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO ASK WHATEVER QUESTIONS THEY WISH TO ASK AND TO GET ASSISTANCE FROM THEM. SOME OF THE INDIVIDUALS THAT WILL BE THERE ARE THE NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, MY OFFICE WILL BE THERE, THE NAACP WILL BE THERE, THE ACLU AND NUMEROUS OTHERS THAT ARE GOING TO BE IN ATTENDANCE AS WELL, AND WE HOPE TO PROVIDE THE CITIZENS OF AUSTIN WITH SUFFICIENT INFORMATION FOR THEM TO BE ABLE TO GET FROM THESE AGENCIES THE

SERVICES THAT THEY REQUIRE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

MAYOR WYNN: THANK YOU. OKAY. AND FOR -- ACTUALLY MY LAST PROCLAMATION BEFORE I TURN THE PODIUM OVER TO COUNCIL MEMBER KIM, I'LL BE JOINED BY VINCE COBALIS. WE'RE GOING TO -- THE PROCLAMATION IS REGARDING WORLD TAI CHI AND QIGONG DAY. I'LL READ THE PROCLAMATION AND WE'LL HEAR FROM VINCE. THE PROCLAMATION READS: THE HEALTH AND WELFARE OF OUR CITIZENS IS A PRIMARY CONCERN OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, AND WHEREAS STRESS IS A CONTRIBUTING FACTOR IN THE MAJORITY OF HEALTH ISSUES AND WHEREAS TAI CHI IS A MARSHAL ART THAT PROVIDES HEALTH BENEFITS FOR ALL AGES, INCLUDING STRESS REDUCTION, IMPROVED COORDINATION AND FLEXIBILITY AS WELL AS BRINGING PEOPLE CLOSER TO NATURE AND THE ENVIRONMENT. AND WHEREAS CITIZENS CAN LEARN TAI CHI BASICS AND HELP CREATE A WAVE OF HEALING ENERGY AROUND THE WORLD BY JOINING INSTRUCTORS AT AUDITORIUM SHORES FOR THE LOCAL WORLD TAI CHI AND QIGONG DAY EVENT. SO NOW THEREFORE, I, WILL WYNN, MAYOR OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, ALONG WITH THE MAYOR'S FITNESS COUNCIL, DO ENCOURAGE AUSTINITES TO TAKE PART IN THIS EVENT AND DO HEREBY PROCLAIM APRIL 26, 2008, THIS SATURDAY, AS WORLD TAI CHI AND QIGONG DAY IN AUSTIN AND ASK THEM TO TELL US MORE ABOUT THE EVENT, AND REALLY SEVERAL OF OUR EFFORTS REGARDING THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF OUR CITIZENS. VINCE? THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

THANK YOU, MAYOR. I REALLY DO WANT TO THANK ALL OF THE MAYOR'S FITNESS COUNCIL FOR SUPPORTING THIS EVENT ONCE AGAIN THIS YEAR. THIS IS THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF THIS EVENT WORLDWIDE. IT'S CELEBRATED IN 60 COUNTRIES AND 48 STATES FOR THE UNITED STATES. IT'S REALLY A WAY TO CONNECT WITH THE REST OF THE WORLD IN A VISION OF HOPE AND HEALING THAT THE WORLD IS REALLY YEARNING FOR RIGHT NOW, AND IN ADDITION TO THAT IT'S A WAY TO STAY HEALTHY WELL INTO OLD AGE, AND, IN FACT, WE HAVE TAI CHI CLASSES AT THE CITY PARKS SENIOR PROGRAMS AS WELL. SO THIS IS SOMETHING THAT IS OPEN TO PEOPLE OF ALL AGES. IT'S AT AUDITORIUM SHORES FROM 9:30 TO 11:00 ON SATURDAY, APRIL 26. SO I REALLY INVITE EVERYONE TO COME OUT AND SEE AND TRY THIS OUT. THERE'S FLIERS IN THE -- FLIERS IN THE FOYER FOR PEOPLE THAT ARE INTERESTED AND REALLY INVITE EVERYONE TO COME OUT AND JOIN OVER 10 TO 15 TAI CHI SCHOOLS FOR THIS EVENT ON SATURDAY. THANK YOU.

MAYOR WYNN: THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

MAYOR WYNN: AND WITH THAT I'D LIKE TO TURN THE PODIUM OVER TO COUNCIL MEMBER JENNIFER KIM.

KIM: IT'S A GREAT PRIVILEGE TO BE ABLE TO DO THIS FOR JUDGE MEURER TODAY AND SHE HAS BEEN AN ADVOCATE FOR CHILDREN IN OUR COURT SYSTEM AND ALSO TO MAKE SURE THAT MANY CHILDREN IN CENTRAL TEXAS HAVE NEW LOVING HOMES AND FOREVER HOMES, AND SO HERE WE HAVE A DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD FOR HER. , FOR HER OUTSTANDING SERVICE AND DEDICATION, PARTICULARLY TO THE CHILDREN OF AUSTIN

DURING HER TENURE AS 98TH DISTRICT COURT JUDGE, JEANNE MURER IS DESERVING OF PUBLIC ACCLAIM AND RECOGNITION. WHILE JUDGE MEURER HEARS CIVIL CASES OF ALL DESCRIPTIONS, SHE IS PARTICULARLY KNOWN FOR EXPERTISE IN FAMILY LAW CASES INVOLVING CHILD ABUSE AND IN JUVENILE LAW. HER CASES HAVE INVOLVED CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN ABUSED, NEGLECTED OR IN FOSTER CARE. WHO SOMETIMES HAVE FOUND LITTLE SOLACE AS PRIOR TO JUDGE MEURER'S INVOLVEMENT. WHILE SHE HAS BEEN AN ADVOCATE ON BEHALF OF CHILDREN FOR ALMOST 20 YEARS McHER DISTORT POSITION, SHE HAS MADE A LASTING IMPACT. THE CERTIFICATE IS PRESENTED IN KNOWLEDGE AND APPRECIATION OF JUDGE MEURER'S FINE CAREER. THIS 24TH DAY OF APRIL IN THE YEAR 2008, SIGNED BY MAYOR WILL WYNN. JUDGE MEURER, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR SERVICE.

THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, GUYS. THANK YOU COUNCIL MEMBERS, MAYOR. YOU KNOW, I'M REALLY HONORED AND I APPRECIATE IT. I'M HUMBLER TO BE HERE. I'M STILL MAD AT THE PERSON WHO PUT THE EMAIL OUT. I HAVE HAD THE HONOR OF SERVING THE CITIZENS OF THIS FAIR CITY AND THIS COMMUNITY FOR MANY YEARS. WE'VE DONE A LOT TOGETHER. THERE'S A LOT MORE TO DO, AND WE'VE GOT A LOT MORE WORK TO DO, AND WHILE I WILL NOT BE YOUR ELECTED OFFICIAL, THERE'S NO WAY I CAN LEAVE YOU. SO I'LL FIGURE A WAY TO STAY GETTING INTO MISCHIEF, AND LET'S FIGURE A WAY TOGETHER TO CONTINUE MAKING THIS COMMUNITY A BETTER COMMUNITY FOR OUR FAMILIES, FOR OUR CHILDREN. LET'S FIND A WAY TO MAKE SURE WE STOP THE VIOLENCE. LET'S MAKE SURE THAT WE PROTECT THE MOST PRECIOUS RESOURCE WE'VE EVER HAD, AND THAT, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, THAT RESOURCE IS OUR CHILDREN. I'M HONORED TO SERVE YOU. THANK YOU FOR THIS AWARD AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT. I'M HUMBLER BY IT, AND NOW LET'S GET TO WORK AGAIN. THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE] IMLARCH AT IMARCH AT IMARCH AT

DUNKERLEY: IT'S REALLY MY PLEASURE TODAY TO PRESENT A PROCLAMATION FOR THE CAREY PROGRAM, AND I'D LIKE TO READ THAT AT THIS TIME. BE IT KNOWN THAT WHEREAS THE WEEK OF APRIL 20 EACH YEAR IS A REMINDER OF THE DEVASTATION OF YOUTH VIOLENCE, SINCE IT MARKS THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE 1999 COLUMBINE HIGH SCHOOL MASSACRE THAT LEFT 17 DEAD AND 25 -- 23 INJURED. AND WHEREAS THE TEXAS TEXAS DPS ARREST DATA FOR YOUTH 10 TO 20 IN TRAVIS COUNTY FOR 1997 THROUGH 2006 INCLUDES MORE THAN A HUNDRED ARRESTS FOR MURDER AND MANSLAUGHTER, 1200 ARRESTS FOR AGGRAVATED ROBBERY, 2,000 ARRESTS FOR AGGRAVATED ASSAULT, AND 15,000 ARRESTS FOR SIMPLE ASSAULT, AND WHEREAS THE COUNCIL ON AT-RISK YOUTH CAREY YOUTH VIOLENCE PREVENTION PROGRAM WORKS INTENSIVELY WITH 358 AT YOUTH RISK THROUGH AISD TO HELP THEM DEVELOP NON-VIOLENT BEHAVIORS AND BECOME PRODUCTIVE MEMBERS OF OUR SOCIETY AND OUR COMMUNITY. NOW THEREFORE, I, WILL WYNN, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM APRIL THE 20TH TO THE 26TH AS CAREY YOUTH VIOLENCE PREVENTION WEEK, AND THIS PROCLAMATION IS SIGNED BY OUR MAYOR WILL WYNN AND STAMPED WITH THE SEAL OF THE CITY. THANK

YOU.

THANK YOU SO MUCH. STEP FORWARD AND TELL US A LITTLE BIT MORE.

I'M GREATLY APPRECIATIVE, MADAM MAYOR. FORTUNATELY WE HAVE NOT HAD A COLUMBINE IN AUSTIN, TEXAS, SUCH A VERY, VERY TRAGIC EVENT IN COLORADO NINE YEARS AGO THIS LAST SUNDAY, SO WE'RE FORTUNATE IN THAT REGARD ACTION BUT UNFORTUNATELY, AS THE DATA SHOWS US, WE DO HAVE CONSIDERABLE LEVELS OF YOUTH VIOLENCE IN AUSTIN AND IN TRAVIS COUNTY. WE KNOW IN THIS DAY AND AGE WE HAVE SCIENCE SUCH THAT WE CAN PREDICT WITH A FAIRLY HIGH DEGREE OF ACCURACY WHO THOSE YOUNG KIDS ARE WHO ARE GOING TO BECOME SERIOUS PUBLIC OFFENDERS AND GO INTO OUR JUVENILE AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM. WE ALSO HAVE SCIENCE-BASED PROGRAMS AVAILABLE IN THIS DAY AND AGE THAT CAN BE USED WITH THOSE AT RISK KIDS TO TEACH THEM THE SKILLS NECESSARY TO BECOME CONTRIBUTING MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY. CARRY IS GREATLY APPRECIATIVE OF THE CITY SUPPORT WE'VE RECEIVED NOW FOR 3 YEARS. WE HAVE AN AGGRESSIVE CAMPAIGN OF PREVENTIVE YOUTH VIOLENCE TO ENSURE THAT OUR COMMUNITY IS SAFE. LET ME SAY FINALLY THAT ON BEHALF OF THE COUNCIL ON AT RISK YOUTH BOARD OF DIRECTORS, OUR VERY, VERY CAPABLE STAFF, THE AT-RISK TROUBLESOME YOUTH WHO WE SERVE, THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH. WE'RE MOST APPRECIATIVE OF THE CITY'S SUPPORT.

DUNKERLEY: YOU WOULD LIKE TO SAY THAT MR.-- THAT THE CAREY PROGRAM IS ONE OF THE REALLY GOOD PROGRAMS HERE AT THE CITY. THE CITY IS A PARTNER AS WELL AS THE COUNTY WITH THIS GROUP, AND WE'RE SO VERY PROUD OF THE WORK YOU'RE DOING AND THE RESULTS YOU'RE GETTING. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE] SUSIE SUZY SUSIE WLANG LIGHT.

MAYOR WYNN: THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL AS POSTED THIS MONDAY PURSUANT TO STATE LAW. WE HAVE ONE ITEM ON THE AGENDA FOR THIS SPECIAL CALLED MEETING, THAT BEING ITEM NO. 1, CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING GRANTING ADJUSTMENT TO A CITY CODE, BUT THERE IS A STAFF RECOMMENDATION OF A POSTPONEMENT TO MAY 15, 2008, AND I'LL ENTERTAIN THAT MOTION. MOTION SO MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER COLE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEFFINGWELL, TO POSTPONE ITEM NO. 1, TO MAY 13, 2008. HEARING NONE, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR SAY AYE.

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MAYOR WYNN: AYE. MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF 5-0 WITH COUNCIL MEMBERS MARTINEZ AND MCCracken OFF THE DAIS. THERE BEING NO MORE SPECIAL BUSINESS BEFORE THIS SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL, WE NOW STAND ADJOURNED. THERE BEING A QUORUM PRESENT, AT THIS TIME I'LL CALL BACK TO ORDER THIS APRIL 24, 2008 WEEKLY AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL MEETING. IT'S AROUND 6:30, WE'VE BEEN IN RECESS NOW FOR ALMOST 45 MINUTES OR SO, AND I BELIEVE BEFORE WE CONTINUE TO TAKE UP

CITIZEN TESTIMONY ON OUR COMBINED ITEMS 97, 98, 99, STAFF HAS SOME RECOMMENDED POSTPONEMENT OF PUBLIC HEARINGS FOR THIS EVENING AND THEREFORE WE CAN SEND SOME FOLKS HOME. MR. GUERNSEY?

THANK YOU, MAYOR AND COUNCIL. GREG GUERNSEY, NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT. ON ITEM NO. 92 THE APPLICANT HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH US. THIS IS ZONING CASE C14-2008-0038 THE PROPERTY AT 1705 AND 1715 GUADALUPE STREET STREET. THE APPLICANT IS REQUESTING A POSTPONEMENT OF THE ITEM. THE FIRST REQUEST TO MAY 8. ON ITEM NO. 100. THIS IS A 6:00 PUBLIC HEARING ITEM TO CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVE SITE SPECIFIC AMENDMENT TO 25-8-514 SAVE OUR SPRINGS INITIATIVE TO ALLOW CONSTRUCTION OF A POLLUTION PREVENTION DEVICE UPSTREAM OF DRY FORK SINK IN THE CRITICAL WATER QUALITY ZONE OF WILLIAMS CREEK. THERE'S A STAFF POSTPONEMENT OF THIS ITEM TO JUNE 5. ITEM NO. 101 AND 102. THESE ARE APPEALS THAT WERE MADE BY CWS CAPITAL PARTNERS LLC, BOTH ITEMS 102 AND -- EXCUSE ME, 101 AND 102 HAVE BEEN WITHDRAWN. NO ACTION IS REQUIRED. AND FINALLY ITEM NO. 103, WHICH IS AN ORDINANCE/AMENDMENT DEALING WITH CHAPTER 25-10 OF THE CITY SIGN REGULATIONS AND CHAPTER 13-2 OF THE GROUND TRANSPORTATION SERVICES TO CLARIFY CHAPTER 25-10, WHICH SPEAKS TO OFF-PREMISE SIGNS OR BILLBOARDS. THIS IS A POSTPONEMENT OF THIS ITEM TO MAY 8. AND THOSE ITEMS I CAN OFFER FOR POSTPONEMENT.

MAYOR WYNN: SO THEN COUNCIL, WE CAN CONSIDER A PROPOSED CONSENT AGENDA TO BE TO POSTPONE ITEM 92 TO MAY 8, 2008, TO POSTPONE THE PUBLIC HEARING, ITEM 100 TO JUNE 5, 2008. WE WILL NOTE THAT ITEMS 101 AND 102 HAVE BEEN WITHDRAWN AND WE CAN POSTPONE ITEM 103 ALSO TO MAY 8, 2008. I'LL ENTERTAIN THAT MOTION ON THE PROPOSED CONSENT AGENDA. MOTION MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER COLE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ, TO APPROVE THIS CONSENT POSTPONEMENT AGENDA AS PROPOSED. FURTHER COMMENT? HEARING NONE, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

MAYOR WYNN: AYE. OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON A VOTE OF 6-0 WITH COUNCIL MEMBER MCCracken OFF THE DAIS.

THANK YOU. STAFF APPRECIATES THAT AND CONTINUE BACK ON ITEM NO. 97, 98 AND 99 INVOLVING THE LAMAR JUSTIN LANE STATIONARY PLANS AND THE RELATED NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN AMENDMENTS FOR CRESTVIEW WOOTEN AND BRENTWOOD HIGHLY LAND NEIGHBORHOOD.

MAYOR WYNN: CORRECT. IF YOU REMEMBER, COUNCIL, WE HAD RELATIVELY RECENTLY BEGUN GETTING CITIZEN TESTIMONY. WE HAD FIVE OR SIX FOLKS GIVE US THAT SO WITHOUT OBJECTION WE'LL CONTINUE THAT TESTIMONY BEFORE WE PICK UP OUR DIALOGUE. THE NEXT -- FIRST PERSON SIGNED UP TO GIVE US TESTIMONY AGAIN ON THIS

COMBINED ITEM PUBLIC HEARING 97, 98, 99 IS BRIAN FAIRBOCER. SORRY IF I MISPRONOUNCED THAT. SIGNED UP WISHING TO ADDRESS US. BRIAN WILL BE FOLLOWED BY STEVEN DOBY TO BE FOLLOWED BY CHIP HARRIS.

WELCOME. YOU CAN GO TO EITHER PODIUM. OKAY. 91. YOU CAN BE PATIENT AND WE'LL GET TO YOU AS SOON AS WE CAN. THANKS FOR LETTING US KNOW. SO THAT TAKES US TO STEVEN DOBIE. WELCOME, STEVEN. YOU'LL HAVE THREE MINUTES TO BE FOLLOWED BY CHIP HARRIS. WELCOME.

GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS STEVEN DOBIE. I LIVE ON WATSON STREET ONE BLOCK OFF OF MORROW STREET. I'D LIKE TO OPEN BY JUST SAYING THAT I GENERALLY SUPPORT THE TOD. I'M IN SUPPORT OF COMMUTER RAIL OR LIGHT RAIL. MY CONCERN IS WITH THE SUGGESTION OF OPENING UP THE LAMAR AND MORROW STREET INTERSECTION TO IMPROVE THE CONNECTIVITY. THAT IS JUST PART OF THE TOD AREA THERE. AT THE PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING A COUPLE WEEKS AGO SEVERAL RESIDENTS OF THE HIGHLAND NEIGHBORHOOD ASKED THAT THE CITY CONSIDER OPENING UP THE INTERSECTION TO ALLOW NORTHBOUND TRAFFIC TO TURN LEFT ON TO WESTBOUND MORROW AND TO ALLOW VEHICLES COMING ACROSS FROM THE HIGHLAND NEIGHBORHOOD TO CROSS LAMAR AND ACCESS WESTBOUND MORROW STREET. FIRST OF ALL, ALL THE CITY -- OR THE CITY RESTRICTED ACCESS TO WESTBOUND MORROW DUE TO ISSUES WITH CUT-THROUGH TRAFFIC AND THE IMPACT TO THE SAFETY OF RESIDENTS. THIS WAS DONE ABOUT TEN OR PLUS YEARS AGO. TRAFFIC SINCE THEN OBVIOUSLY HAS ONLY GOTTEN WORSE AND WILL CONTINUE TO GROW AND IMPACT THE NEIGHBORHOOD WITH THE DEVELOPMENT THAT'S OCCURRING IN THE AREA THERE. SECONDLY, THE TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT ENGINEERS THAT ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS AREA HAVE RECOMMENDED AGAINST OPENING UP THIS INTERSECTION. MORROW STREET IS NOT A STANDARD SIDE STREET. IT WAS A -- IT HAS A SINGLE LANE THAT TRAVELS EAST AND A SINGLE LANE THAT TRAVELS WEST. THERE IS AN IMPROVED CURB SHOULDER ON THE WESTBOUND SIDE TO ALLOW FOR RESIDENT PARKING, BUT THERE IS NO SUCH SHOULDER ON THE EASTBOUND SIDE. SO IT'S VERY A VERY CONSTRAINED STREET THERE. WE'RE SYMPATHETIC TO THE ISSUE THAT WAS PRESENTED AT THE PLANNING COMMISSION THAT IT'S INCONVENIENT TO NOT HAVE THAT ACCESS TO WESTBOUND MORROW STREET FROM LAMAR OR FROM THE HIGHLAND NEIGHBORHOOD, AND THE TESTIMONY THAT WAS GIVEN AT THAT MEETING, THEY TALKED ABOUT NOT BEING ABLE TO EASILY ACCESS THE CHURCHES AND TO EASILY ACCESS THE MINI-MAXIMUM THAT'S IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD IN THE MIDDLE OF CRESTVIEW THERE. AGAIN, WE'RE SYMPATHETIC TO THAT. IT IS INCONVENIENCE BUT I DON'T BELIEVE THAT PUBLIC SAFETY SHOULD EVER BE COMPROMISED FOR THE SAKE OF CONVENIENCE, AND SO I WOULD ASK THAT THE CITY, BEFORE THEY APPROVE ANY AMENDMENTS TO THE TOD THAT WOULD INCLUDE OPENING UP THAT INTERSECTION TO FURTHER STUDY THAT, AND THAT WAS ACTUALLY WHAT THE PLANNING COMMISSION HAD ASKED THE CITY STAFF TO DO, DIRECTED THE CITY STAFF TO INVESTIGATE THAT FURTHER AND STUDY THAT FURTHER. AND TWO WEEKS THAT WE'VE HAD SINCE THAT MEETING HAS NOT BEEN SUFFICIENT TIME TO DO A FULL IMPACT STUDY

ON WHAT OPENING UP THAT INTERSECTION WOULD BE. SO I WOULD SUGGEST AND ASK THAT THE CITY STUDY THAT IN MORE DETAIL BEFORE THEY MAKE A DECISION OR ADD AN AMENDMENT TO THE TOD TO OPEN UP THAT INTERSECTION. THANK YOU.

MAYOR WYNN: THANK YOU, MR. DOBIE. OUR NEXT SPEAKER IS CHIP HARRIS. WELCOME, CHIP. YOU TOO WILL HAVE THREE MINUTES, AND YOU WILL BE FOLLOWED BY CHRIS KITE.

MAYOR, COUNCIL MEMBERS, THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS OUR CONCERNS ABOUT THE DRAFT STATIONARY PLAN. MY NAME IS CHIP HARRIS AND I'M WITH THE CRESTVIEW NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION. ONE OF THE BIGGEST ISSUES THE CONSULTANT HAD TO DEAL WITH WAS THE TRAFFIC PROBLEM. THEY REALIZED RIGHT OFF THE BAT THAT THERE WAS A LOT OF CONGESTION AT LAMAR AND AIRPORT, AND DOUBLING THE NUMBER OF RESIDENTS IN THE AREA ALONG WITH ADDING THOUSANDS OF SQUARE FEET OF THOUSANDS OF RETAIL AND COMMERCIAL SPACE WOULD ONLY COMPLICATE MATTERS. UNFORTUNATELY THEIR PROPOSED SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEM WILL ADVERSELY AFFECT THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN THE CRESTVIEW NEIGHBORHOOD. THEIR SOLUTION IS TO SHIFT THE TRAFFIC LOAD FROM THE ARTERIAL STREETS, LIKE LAMAR AND AIRPORT, TO NEIGHBORHOOD STREETS LIKE JUSTIN. HOW DO THEY PROPOSE TO DO THIS? BY CREATING A STREET CALLED EASY WIND THAT WILL CONNECT WEST ST. JOHN'S TO JUSTIN, AND BY EXTENDING JUSTIN LANE EAST OF LAMAR TO GUADALUPE. MOST OF YOU DON'T REMEMBER BUT HISTORY REVEALS WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF THESE STREETS IN THE DRAFT PLAN ARE BUILT, AND THAT HISTORY IS THE STORY OF MORROW STREET. UNTIL RADICAL CHANGES WERE MADE TO REDUCE TRAFFIC TEN YEARS AGO, MORROW STREET RIVALED ANDERSON LANE FOR TRAFFIC VOLUME. THOSE CHANGES LIMIT ACCESS TO MORROW BY NON-LOCAL TRAFFIC. IT'S NOT A PERFECT ARRANGEMENT AND IT INCONVENIENCE SOME MOTORISTS, BUT THE ALTERNATIVE, OPENING MORROW STREET TO CUT-THROUGH TRAFFIC, WOULD BE A DEATH SENTENCE OF WHAT IS A NAIRO RESIDENTIAL STREET IN THE HEART OF CRESTVIEW. WE DON'T HAVE TO SPECULATE ON THE OUTCOME. IF WE TRANSFER TRAFFIC FROM ARTERIAL STREETS TO NEIGHBORHOOD STREETS, BECAUSE WE'VE ALREADY HAD TO DEAL WITH THE REPERCUSSIONS OF A SIMILAR SITUATION THAT TOOK YEARS TO RESOLVE. CRESTVIEW NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION HAS VOTED TO REMOVE DELETING EASY WIND AND THE EXTENSION OF JUSTIN FROM THE PLAN. AND WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.

MAYOR WYNN: THANK YOU. THERE IS AN ELECTRONIC PRESENTATION.

MAYOR WYNN: AND ARE YOU CHRIS KITE?

YES.

MAYOR WYNN: WELCOME, MR. KITE. YOU HAVE THREE MINUTES TO BE FOLLOWED BY DAY MON HOW.

I LIVE ON JUSTIN LANE JUST HALF A MILE FROM WHERE THE NEW LIGHT RAIL WOULD BE LOCATED. I SIGNED UP TO GO AHEAD AND SAY IN GENERAL I SUPPORT THE PLANNING, THE ZONING CHANGES, THE REDESIGN OF AIRPORT AND LAMAR AND THE INCREASED PEDESTRIAN BICYCLE ACCESS. I ALSO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE HARD WORK OF THE CITY STAFF AND SONYA LOPEZ IN PARTICULAR FOR ALL THE TIME SHE SPENT ON THIS. AS HAS ALREADY BEEN SAID I STRONGLY OPPOSE THE CONNECTION OF EASY WIND LINE AND THE EXISTING CANYON STREET TO JUSTIN STREET. EASY WIND IS THIS NORTH-SOUTH STREET THAT'S BEEN TALKED ABOUT THAT WILL CROSS THE TRACKS. IN GENERAL I JUST THINK THESE ADDED ROADWAYS CONFLICT WITH THE STATED GOALS IN THE PLAN AND OF THE CITY TO REDUCE ALL DEPENDENCY. YOU CAN'T BUILD MORE ROADS AND THEN WONDER WHY THERE'S MORE TRAFFIC ALL THE TIME. AS A REAL SMART TRAFFIC ENGINEER ONCE DESCRIBED TO ME, A LOT OF ROADWAY CONNECTIVITY AND PLANS IS GOOD. YOU HAVE MULTIPLE INGRESS AND EGRESS AND FLOW IS DISPERSED. THE PROBLEM IS A LITTLE BIT IS REALLY BAD. IT'S EVEN WORSE THAN NOTHING, BECAUSE IT FUNNELS THESE -- CREATES THESE CHOKE POINTS AND FUNNELS TRAFFIC INTO A FEW LOCATIONS. IT'S REALLY TERRIBLE WHEN THOSE LOCATIONS ARE RESIDENTIAL STREETS. YOU SAW THIS EARLIER. IT'S THE CIRCULATION CONCEPT PLAN ABOUT, OH, OKAY, WE'RE GOING TO TAKE THIS MICROCOSM OF THE TOD AND WE'RE GOING TO DISTRIBUTE FLOW WITHIN IT, AND IF YOU LOOK THAT NARROWLY FOCUSED THAT MAKES SENSE. HOWEVER, THERE'S A MUCH BROADER ISSUE GOING ON IN AUSTIN AS WE KNOW. IT'S THE EAST-WEST TRAFFIC FLOW. THIS IS A LITTLE GOOGLE MAP EXCERPT. IF YOU GO JUST A MILE OR TWO NORTH, SOUTH, EAST AND WEST, SUDDENLY YOU'RE LOOKING AT I-35, 183, MOPAC, KOENIG AND WE KNOW IT'S ESPECIALLY DIFFICULT TO GET EAST-WEST ACROSS TOWN IN RUSH HOUR, SO HUMAN BEINGS FOLLOWING THE PATH OF LEAST RESISTANCE IN CARS WILL GET ON TO RESIDENTIAL STREETS AND THAT TAKE THE BACKBONE OF THIS PROBLEM. I WANT TO PUT NUMBERS UP THERE. EVERYBODY TALKS ABOUT TRAFFIC AND IT'S JUST PEOPLE, SAY, OH, I JUST GOT TO GO SOMEWHERE ELSE AND THIS STREET IS MY ROUTE FROM A TO B. WELL, IT'S RESIDENTIAL STREETS. JUSTIN LANE HAS 117 HOUSES. MORROW STREET IS A HUNDRED. THERE'S APARTMENT COMPLEXES, CHURCHES AND SCHOOLS. I PUT THE DAILY TRAFFIC COUNTY FIGURES UP THERE SO WE COULD HAVE SOME NUMBERS TO TALK ABOUT. I MEAN, JUSTIN LANE HAS OVER 50 VEHICLES PER DAY MORROW WITH 2100. WE KNOW IT WILL GROW OVER TIME. WE'RE ASKING AS NEIGHBORHOOD RESIDENTS PLEASE DON'T OPEN THE FLOODGATES. POSTED SPEED LIMITS OF 30 AND 25 MILES PER HOUR AND THESE OTHER NUMBERS ARE WHAT ARE CALLED THE 85 PERS SIEL. 85 PERS ARE GOING AT THOSE SPEEDS. 15 PERS ARE GOING MORE. SO IF THERE'S 5300 CARS PER DAY ON JUSTIN, 15% ARE GOING ABOVE 35. THAT MEANS ABOUT 850 OR SO, OR 800, ARE GOING 35, 40, 50 MILES PER HOUR ON A RESIDENTIAL STREET. IF NO ONE BELIEVES ME COME HAVE A BEER ON MY FRONT PORCH AND SEE FOR YOURSELF. SO AS THAT NUMBER GOES TO 10,000 IN 15 AND 20. THE NUMBER OF SPEEDERS WILL INCREASE. AND IF ANYBODY DOESN'T BELIEVE THESE ARE RESIDENTIAL STREETS -- OKAY, I'M ALMOST DONE, THERE'S A PICTURE OF JUSTIN, THERE'S A PICTURE OF MORROW. I WANT TO EMPHASIZE THE CAPITAL METRO GRADE CROSSING, NO, SIR LIKE THE 4 FOR 4. FOR EVERY ONE NEW GRADE CROSSING

CAPITAL METRO REQUIRES THAT TWO BE SHUT DOWN. I'VE GOT A COPY OF THIS POLICY IF YOU'D LIKE IT. LASTLY THE RECOMMENDATIONS ARE APPROVE THIS PLAN BUT CANCEL THOSE CONNECTIONS, HAVE A REAL BROAD TRAFFIC IMPACT ANALYSIS DONE THAT WAS NOT INCLUDED AS APPENDIX. PLEASE WORK WITH TXDOT TO INCREASE THAT MAJOR NIGHTMARISH INTERCHANGE OF ANDERSON, LAMAR AND 183 AND MAINTAIN THAT NO LEFT TURN. SORRY I WENT OVER.

MAYOR WYNN: THAT'S OKAY. APPRECIATE THE INFORMATION. DAMON HOUSING. HOW DO YOU PRONOUNCE THAT? YES, COUNCILMAN MARTINEZ?

WE'VE GOTTEN A LOT OF EMAILS ABOUT THIS LEFT TURN AT MORROW. WHAT IS THE PROPOSAL FOR THE INTERSECTION AT MORROW AND LAMAR. AS I UNDERSTAND IT NOW GOING NORTH ON LAMAR YOU CAN'T TURN WEST AND WEST ON MORROW YOU CAN'T CROSS OVER LAMAR.

THAT'S CORRECT, COUNCIL MEMBER, AND AS PART OF THE STATIONARY PLAN THERE ARE NO CHANGES PROPOSED TO THE CURRENT CONDITIONS AT LAMAR -- YES, AT LAMAR AND MORROW. THERE ARE OTHER STREET CONNECTIONS AND OTHER EXTENSIONS THAT ARE PROPOSED AS PART OF THE PLAN, BUT CHANGES TO THAT INTERSECTION OF MORROW AND NORTH LAMAR ARE NOT PART OF THE PLAN. THIS IS AN ISSUE THAT CAME UP AT THE PLANNING COMMISSION, PUBLIC HEARING. THERE WERE A NUMBER OF CITIZENS WHO SPOKE IN FAVOR OF DOING SOMETHING TO OPEN UP THAT INTERSECTION, BUT IT HASN'T BEEN ONE OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PLAN -- IS NOT ONE OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PLAN.

MARTINEZ: SO THE CONCERN ABOUT OPENING THIS LEFT TURN LANE AT MORROW IS NOT PART OF THIS PROPOSAL.

THAT'S CORRECT.

MARTINEZ: IT WAS JUST A DISCUSSION THAT TOOK PLACE DURING THE CREATION OF THE STATION AREA PLAN?

THAT'S CORRECT.

MARTINEZ: AND SO HOW MUCH OF THE NORTH NORTHERN PORTION OF THE CRESTVIEW STATION EMPTIES ON TO MORROW?

ON TO LAMAR? ON TO MORROW. THERE IS -- AS PART OF THE PDA THAT WAS APPROVED ON THE HUNTSMAN PROPERTY THERE IS NO VEHICLE VEHICULAR ACCESS TO MORROW SO THAT'S BASICALLY ALL OF THE TOD FRONTAGE ON MORROW STREET. THERE IS NO VEHICULAR ACCESS FROM THE TOD TO MORROW.

MARTINEZ: SO THE PARKING LOTS AREN'T CONNECTED TO THE TOD, THEY'RE JUST CONNECTED TO THE BALL FIELDS?

THAT'S CORRECT.

MARTINEZ: THANK YOU.

MAYOR WYNN: COUNCIL MEMBER LEFFINGWELL?

LEFFINGWELL: I DON'T KNOW IF YOU CAN ANSWER. I THINK THE LAST SPEAKER MENTIONED THAT THE MORROW-LAMAR INTERSECTION IS DEPICTED IN THE STATION AREA PLAN IS CONTRARY TO WHAT WAS RECOMMENDED BY TXDOT. DID I HEAR THAT RIGHT? AND MAYBE YOU WOULD LIKE TO CLARIFY.

I AM NOT AWARE OF THAT. AS I MENTIONED, WE'RE NOT PROPOSING ANY CHANGES TO THAT INTERSECTION AS PART OF THE PLAN.

LEFFINGWELL: SO EVERYTHING IN THIS PLAN IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH TXDOT RECOMMENDATIONS?

THE -- I DON'T HAVE A DIRECT ANSWER TO THAT. TXDOT WAS A PARTICIPANT IN THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY GROUP THAT WAS PART OF THE STATION AREA PLAN. I'M NOT SURE, G.B., IF YOU HAVE ANY MORE SPECIFIC INFORMATION ON THAT.

TXDOT -- IF MR.-- IF SOMEBODY ASKS YOU A QUESTION, YOU'RE ALLOWED TO SPEAK IN THIS ROOM. THANK YOU.

LEFFINGWELL: WELL, I'D LIKE TO ASK YOU TO CLARIFY. PLEASE COME FORWARD.

WHAT I WAS TRYING TO EMPHASIZE WITH THE EAST-WEST TRAFFIC FLOW PROBLEM, AND JUST NORTH OF -- ON LAMAR NORTH OF MORROW IS WHERE THE TXDOT JURISDICTION BEGINS AND THE INTERCHANGE OF ANDERSON LANE, 183 AND LAMAR IS JUST TERRIBLE, BUT TXDOT WOULD PROBABLY NEED TO BE INVOLVED IN ANY IMPROVEMENTS THERE. I THINK THAT'S A TERRIBLE CHOKE POINT FOR ALL TRAFFIC. SO THAT'S WHAT I WAS TRYING TO EMPHASIZE THE TXDOT ASPECT.

LEFFINGWELL: I MISUNDERSTOOD YOUR COMMENT, THEN.

MAYOR WYNN: THANK YOU, GEORGE. WELCOME -- IS IT HOUSEY --

HOWLS.

MAYOR WYNN: HOWLS. AND IS KITTY TRAILER HERE? MS. TRAILER, I ONLY ASK BECAUSE

OUR RULES ARE YOU NEED TO BE PRESENT IN THE CHAMBERS TO DONATE YOUR TIME. SO MR. HOWLS YOU HAVE 6 MINUTES.

I'M DAMON HOWLS, CHAIR OF THE HIGHLANDS PLAN CONTACT TEAM AND I'M PRESIDENT OF HIGHLAND NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION. AND I'D LIKE TO START OUT JUST BY QUOTING COMMISSIONER KIRK AND WHAT SHE SAID WAS CLEARLY WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF CRESTVIEW STATION, EVERY STREET IN THIS NEIGHBORHOOD IS GOING TO GET SOME TRAFFIC -- GET MORE TRAFFIC. AND THE BEST WAY TO DEAL WITH THIS IS TO DISPERSE THE TRAFFIC. NOW, AS YOU'VE NOTED FROM THE NUMBERS THAT THEY PUT UP ABOUT THE AMOUNT OF TRAFFIC ON JUSTIN LANE AND THE AMOUNT OF TRAFFIC ON MORROW, THAT JUSTIN LANE TRAFFIC WAS CONSIDERABLY HIGHER THAN THOSE ON MORROW, AND THE REASON FOR THAT IS THAT THERE'S NO OTHER WAY TO GO WEST. WHEN WE LOOK AT THE NEIGHBORHOOD, ST. JOHN'S AND AIRPORT BOULEVARD BOTH DEAD END INTO LAMAR, RIGHT AT THAT INTERSECTION, AND AS IS PROPOSED WITHOUT THESE OPENING OF STREETS OR ADDITION OF STREETS, THE CRESTVIEW DEVELOPMENT IS GOING TO BE A 75-ACRE POCKET NEIGHBORHOOD IN A TOD THAT CAN ONLY ENTER AND EXIT FROM LAMAR, WHICH IS ALREADY CONGESTED. SO IT'S JUST NOT FEASIBLE TO MAKE IT A POCKET NEIGHBORHOOD. SO IF YOU LOOK AT MY PICTURES, THE FIRST PICTURE THAT I HAVE UP HERE IS -- THIS IS WHAT MORROW LOOKS LIKE FROM HIGHLAND NEIGHBORHOOD. SO WHEN WE'RE DRIVING DOWN HIGHLAND, WE'RE GOING -- WE'RE DRIVING DOWN MORROW AND HIGHLAND, THIS IS THE INTERSECTION OF MORROW AND HIGHLAND. IT DOESN'T ALLOW US TO GO THROUGH THROUGH THE INTERSECTION. IT FORCES US TO GO RIGHT, AND WHEN WE GO RIGHT WE GO INTO THE NEXT INTERSECTION, WHICH IS THE INTERSECTION OF ANDERSON AND LAMAR, WHICH IS JUST A STOP SIGN, NOT A FOUR-WAY STOP. AND THIS IS THE INTERSECTION THAT HE'S REFERRING TO BECAUSE OF HIS PROXIMITY TO 183, TXDOT CONTROLS THIS INTERSECTION, NOT THE MORROW INTERSECTION. BUT THIS -- TO QUOTE COMMISSIONER SULLIVAN, THIS IS ONE OF THE MOST DANGEROUS INTERSECTIONS IN THE CITY WITH A VERY HIGH RATE OF ACCIDENTS. AND THIS WOULD BE THE ONLY WAY TO GET WEST IF YOU ARE GOING NORTH ON LAMAR. 183 HEADS DIRECTLY NORTH FROM THERE. THE TRAFFIC ON JUSTIN IS A MATTER OF PEOPLE COMING DOWN ST. JOHN'S AND AIRPORT THAT DON'T WANT TO GO THROUGH THIS INTERSECTION, TAKING A LEFT AND GOING DOWN JUSTIN LANE TO DO IT. AND A REASON THAT I COULD ARGUE THAT THE TRAFFIC THAT WOULD BE ON MORROW WOULD NOT BE CUT-THROUGH TRAFFIC WOULD BE THAT THE FIRST THING THAT YOU COME TO ON MORROW IS THE NORTH AUSTIN OPTIMISTS BALLPARK. THE SECOND THING THAT YOU COME TO ON MORROW IS CRESTVIEW METHODIST CHURCH AND CRESTVIEW METHODIST DAY CARE, WHICH OUR NEIGHBORS ATTEND AND USE. THE VERY NEXT BLOCK IS CRESTVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH AND THE OAKMONT SCHOOL AND THEN DOWN AT THE END OF MORROW AT BURNET AND MORROW IS ST. LOUIS CATHOLIC CHURCH AND SCHOOL. THAT'S THE CLOSEST CATHOLIC CHURCH TO US. THOSE ARE THE CLOSEST PRIVATE SCHOOLS TO US. OUR NEIGHBORS GO THERE, AND THE ONLY SAFE WAY FOR THEM TO GET THERE RIGHT NOW IS TO GO DOWN JUSTIN LANE, AND THE ONLY SAFE PLACE FOR ALL THE PEOPLE THAT ARE GOING TO LIVE IN THE 500

APARTMENTS AND 500 TOWNHOMES ARE GOING TO BE BUILT AT CRESTVIEW STATION IS TO GO TO LAMAR AND GO DOWN JUSTIN LANE. THEY'LL HAVE TO GO THROUGH THE AIRPORT-LAMAR INTERSECTION TO DO IT, CONGESTING THAT MORE, BUT THEY'RE STILL GOING TO USE JUSTIN LANE WHETHER THEY GO ACROSS EZ ONE STREET OR WHETHER THEY GO DOWN LAMAR TO GET THERE. SO MY LAST POINT, IF YOU'LL GO PAST TWO IS THAT THE ONLY GROCERY STORE ANYWHERE IN OUR ENTIRE NEIGHBORHOOD AREA IS THE MINI-MAX AT ST. JOHN'S AND GROVER, AND THE ONLY WAY FOR US TO GET THERE IS TO GO WEST ACROSS LAMAR. IF WE -- OUR NEXT CLOSEST GROCERY STORE IS AT 2222 AND BURNET ROAD, AND WE HAVE TO GO WEST TO GET TO THERE TOO. SO CONNECTIVITY IS THE MOST IMPORTANT PART OF THIS PLAN. WE COMPLETELY SUPPORT THE PLAN, BUT CONNECTIVITY IS THE IMPORTANT PART TO IT FOR US. THANK YOU.

MAYOR WYNN: THANK YOU, MR. HOWELLS. QUESTIONS FOR HIM, COUNCIL? COMMENTS? THANK YOU, DAMON. OUR NEXT SPEAKER IS JEFFREY HITT. JEFFREY, AND SOME FOLKS WANT TO DONATE TIME TO YOU, JEFFREY. IS DOROTHY JONS HERE IN THE ROOM? HOW ABOUT ROB WILSON? HELLO. ROB. JEFFREY, YOU'LL HAVE UP TO 9 MINUTES IF YOU NEED IT AND BE FOLLOWED BY --

PLAN ON ME USING ALL OF IT AND THEN YOU CAN BE PLEASED WHEN I DON'T. MY NAME IS JEFFREY HITT AND I'M A PAST PRESIDENT OF HIGHLAND NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION. LED THE NEIGHBORHOOD THROUGH THE NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN PROCESS BACK IN ABOUT '03 AND I'M CURRENTLY THE SECRETARY OF THE PLAN CONTACT TEAM. CONNECTIVITY HAS BEEN AN OVERRIDING PART OF WHAT WE WANT TO SEE IN THIS PLAN. THERE ARE A FEW OTHER THINGS AS WELL. I'M REALLY HAPPY TO SEE THAT YOU'RE BACKING OFF THE COMPATIBILITY STANDARDS AND MAKING THOSE PART OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING BONUS. SO I WAS HAPPY TO SEE THAT. CAP METRO IS OPPOSING -- THEY MAY NOT SAY IT OUT RIGHT BUT THEY'VE BEEN OPPOSING THE VEHICULAR CROSSING OF THE TRACKS AT EASY WIND, AND IF THEY -- IF THERE'S NO OTHER CONNECTION, AGAIN, THAT LEAVES A MAJOR TRANSIT NODE AND A LARGE DEVELOPMENT IN A POCKET NEIGHBORHOOD, AND THEIR ONLY CHOICE IS TO GO OUT ON TO LAMAR AND THEIR ONLY CHOICE IS TO GO THROUGH LAMAR AND AIRPORT. AND AGAIN, DISPERSING TRAFFIC, ONE OF THE BASIC PRINCIPLES OF THE TOD IS THAT DISPERSING TRAFFIC THROUGH MULTIPLE CONNECTIONS THROUGH SMALL-SCALE NEIGHBORHOOD STREETS, THESE ARE FOR US TO GET AROUND THIS WHOLE AREA -- EASIER FOR US TO GET AROUND THIS WHOLE AREA. WE THINK IT IS CRUCIAL TO OPEN MORROW TO AT LEAST -- AT LEAST TO THE RESIDENTS THAT ARE GOING TO BE IN THAT NEW DEVELOPMENT, AND GIVEN THAT, YOU'RE GOING TO END UP WITH CUT-THROUGH IF YOU DON'T REALLY ALLOW THE LEFT-HAND TURN OR ALLOW THE WESTBOUND ACCESS FROM HIGHLAND. I SAID THAT WE SUPPORT THE PLAN AND WE SUPPORT CONNECTIVITY. OBVIOUSLY WE'RE NOT COMPLETELY UNIVERSAL ON THAT POSITION, AND I PROMISED THAT I WOULD MENTION THAT. THE ONE THAT'S MOST CONTROVERSIAL FOR US APPEARS TO BE THE CONNECTION FROM JUSTIN TO CANYON, AND PEOPLE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT TRAFFIC FLOW THROUGH THAT AND ON THROUGH CHESTERFIELD, WHICH IS CANYON AS IT CONTINUES ACROSS GUADALUPE. I THINK WHAT WE NEED IS MORE

IN THIS PLAN THAT ADDRESSES COMPREHENSIVE TRAFFIC CALMING BUT NOT BOTTLENECKING STREETS. OPENING UP STREETS AND THEN APPLYING SOME GOOD TRAFFIC CALMING THROUGHOUT THE WHOLE AREA. LASTLY, THE THING THAT I'D LIKE TO TALK ABOUT THE MOST IS A PROPOSAL FOR WHAT I THINK IS A FAIRLY LOW COST CATALYST PROJECT, AND THAT IS SOME RELIEF FOR ST. JOHN'S FROM EAST OF LAMAR, WHICH IS GOING TO BE THE GATEWAY -- THE MAJOR GATEWAY, REALLY, INTO THIS DEVELOPMENT. WE SOUGHT RELIEF FOR ST. JOHN'S FOR SOME TIME. IT'S IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN TO HAVE A CENTER TURN LANE RATHER THAN TWO LANES EACH DIRECTION. IF YOU'RE FAMILIAR WITH IT AT ALL, THOSE LANES ARE VERY TIGHT IN A NUMBER OF. IN A NUMBER OF PLACES THE SIDEWALKS ARE RIGHT ON THE STREET. EVERYBODY -- IT'S A RESIDENTIAL STREET AS WELL AS SOME COMMERCIAL. WE'VE ZONED SOME OF IT COMMERCIAL THROUGH OUR NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING, BUT IT'S STILL RESIDENTIAL, AND YOU'LL SEE A NUMBER OF MAILBOXES THAT ARE ALL TURNED SIDEWAYS BECAUSE TRUCK MIRRORS KNOCK THEM DOWN ALL THE WAY DOWN THE STREET. SO WE'D LIKE TO GET THAT A LITTLE BIT MORE OF A NEIGHBORHOOD STREET. WE HAVE A PROPOSAL FOR A CENTER TURN LANE THAT'S BEEN LANGUISHING. AS I LOOK AT IT MORE, I SEE -- I THINK THAT WE COULD DO ONE LANE EACH DIRECTION AND DO BIKE LANES ON THAT STREET. I COMPARE IT TO EXPOSITION. I LOOKED AT THE TRAFFIC COUNT, THE MOST RECENT TRAFFIC COUNTS THAT I CAN FIND. WE'VE GOT ABOUT 9,000 ON ST. JOHN'S. THERE'S ABOUT 10,000 ON EXPOSITION. EXPOSITION IS ACTUALLY A LITTLE WIDER THAN ST. JOHN'S AND OF COURSE WE ONLY TOOK ONE MEASUREMENT, HOW MUCH WE WERE WILLING TO RISK OUR LIVES TO MEASURE. BUT IT'S A VERY COMPARABLE STREET, WITH RESIDENTIAL, A MIX OF COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL USES. A LOT OF IT WOULD BE RESTRIPIING. WE DO NEED -- WE DO NEED SOME SIDEWALK RELIEF ON ST. JOHN'S, BUT IF WE'RE REALLY TALKING ABOUT THIS AS A MAJOR GATEWAY INTO THE TOD, IT'S SOMETHING THAT WE COULD DO VERY QUICKLY. THE TRAIN STATION IS GOING TO BE UP AND RUNNING AND MOST OF THIS DEVELOPMENT IS NOT GOING TO BE THERE TO SURROUND IT. WE'LL HAVE A PLAN AND THAT'S ALL. SO WE COULD DO THAT INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT PRETTY QUICKLY ON ST. JOHN'S, AND WE'D REALLY, REALLY LIKE THAT. AND THAT'S REALLY ALL I HAVE.

MAYOR WYNN: ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU, MR. HITT.

THANK YOU.

MAYOR WYNN: ALSO, MS. JOHN, JEFFREY DIDN'T USE UP ALL OF YOUR TIME. YOU'RE WELCOME TO ADDRESS US IF YOU'D LIKE TO ADDRESS US. WELL, HE DIDN'T END UP USING IT SO YOU'RE WELCOME TO GIVE US TESTIMONY IF YOU'D LIKE. YOU HAD SIGNED UP ALSO WISHING TO SPEAK. WHILE YOU THINK ABOUT IT, LUCY GALLONBREATH GALLON GAL BREATH IS SIGNED UP WISHING TO SPEAK. WELCOME. YOU HAVE THREE MINUTES FOLLOWED BY KATRINA DANIEL.

THANK YOU, MAYOR AND COUNCIL. I REALLY APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS

YOU TONIGHT. WE IN GENERAL SUPPORT THE CREST HAVE YOU STATION AREA PLAN. WE WANT TO APPLAUD OUR CITY COLLEAGUES AND THE CONSULTANT TEAM. WE'VE WORKED AS CLOSELY WITH THEM AS WE COULD, AND REALLY APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE PART OF THIS PROCESS. WE ARE ON A TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE, SO WE HAVE TRIED TO BE SURE THAT WE PROVIDED TECHNICAL EXPERTISE. I WANT TO JUST SHOW FIVE PICTURES REAL FAST. THIS ONE IS THE PRETTY ONE. THIS IS THE RENDERING OF THE DEVELOPMENT THAT WILL BE THERE. YOU CAN SEE LAMAR BOULEVARD. SOUTHBOUND THERE'S A BUS PULL OUT HERE. ST. JOHN'S IS WHERE THE NORTHBOUND AND AIRPORT BUSES WILL COME IN AND COME AROUND EASY WIND AND MEET THE TRAIN THERE AND THERE'S AN ADDITIONAL STOP THERE FOR THE RAPID BUS WHEN WE IMPLEMENT RAPID. THE NEXT ONE IS A DRILL-DOWN -- OR A PLAN VIEW OF THE SAME THING. THAT'S WHERE THE PLATFORM IS. YOU CAN SEE THE AUSTIN ENERGY SIGN AND NORTH LAMAR AND THE WHOLE DEVELOPMENT HERE ALONG THE TRACKS. THE NEXT ONE I WANT TO SHOW THE PLATFORM AREA. I THINK THERE IS SOME AMOUNT OF CONFUSION ABOUT HOW ALL THIS STUFF WORKS, AND I UNDERSTAND THAT. WE HAD TO KIND OF DRAW IT OUT TO BE SURE WE UNDERSTOOD IT OURSELVES. OKAY. THIS IS EASY WIND OVER HERE ALONG -- THESE ARE THE BUS SHELTERS. THE RED IS THE INITIAL PLATFORM THAT WILL BE THERE ON DAY ONE. THERE WILL BE A SIDEWALK FROM THAT PLATFORM DOWN TO LAMAR. THERE WILL BE A BRIDGE ACROSS WHAT IS THE DRAINAGE DITCH HERE. THE TRACKS RUN ON THIS SIDE OF THE PLATFORM AT THIS TIME. AND THE BRIDGE WILL BRING US OVER TO THE TRANSIT PLAZA THAT WE ARE BUILDING WITH THE CRESTVIEW STATION DEVELOPER, SO THAT THE EXPERIENCE WILL BE, AS FAR AS WE CAN MAKE IT, SEAMLESS. IN THE FULL BUILD-OUT WE WILL ADD A SECOND TRACK. WE WILL GET RID OF THAT DITCH SO THIS WILL BE MORE OF A SOLID LANDSCAPE HERE AND WITH THE TRACK HERE WE WILL EXTEND THE PLATFORM IN BOTH DIRECTIONS AND AT EITHER END OF THE PLATFORM THERE WILL BE A PEDESTRIAN-BIKE CROSSING OF THE TRACK THAT ACCESSES THE PLATFORM AND ALSO PROVIDES PED BIKE CONNECTIVITY. SO THERE WILL BE TWO OF THOSE AT EITHER END. AT THAT BOINT POINT WE'LL GET RID OF THE SIDEWALK AND THE BRIDGE. THAT'S WHERE WE'LL BE IN OUR FULL BUILD-OUT PLAN. THIS ONE, THE NEXT DRAWING -- I CAN'T REMEMBER WHICH ONE I'M GOING. THIS NEXT DRAWING YOU CAN SEE HERE'S THE PLATFORM WITH THE -- OKAY -- WITH THE EXTENSION SHOWN. IN THE FULL BUILD-OUT THERE'S A PEDESTRIAN BIKE CROSSING. HERE, WHETHER THERE IS OR IS NOT A PEDESTRIAN BIKE CROSSING AT EASY WINDS WE ARE TOTALLY OPEN-MINDED ABOUT WHETHER TWO THAT CLOSE TOGETHER MAKE SENSE OR NOT. YOU KNOW, WE ARE CERTAINLY HAPPY TO WORK WITH EVERYBODY TO WORK IT OUT. OUR CHALLENGE IS THAT EXCEPT FOR THE SOUTHBOUND BUSES, ALL OF THE AIRPORT BUSES AND ALL OF THE NORTHBOUND BUSES COME IN HERE AT ST. JOHN'S AND LOOP ON EASY WIND AND STOP HERE FROM THE STATION AND THEN COME BACK OUT. THIS IS THE ONLY SAFE WAY WE CAN FIGURE OUT TO GET THE BUS PASSENGERS TO THE TRAIN STATION AND BACK. AND OUR CHALLENGE FOR A VEHICULAR CROSSING HERE -- GOSH, I'M GOING TO HAVE TO GO REALLY FAST IS IF YOU HAVE A VEHICULAR CROSSING HERE AND THE GATES GO DOWN AND IT IS TRAIN COMES, AND THERE'S A BUS, EVERYBODY ON THE BUS IS MISSING THE TRAIN. WHAT WE HAVE NOW, THE BUS STOPS, LOOKS FOR

PEDESTRIANS, STOPS AND DROPS OFF. WOULD WE LIKE TO KEEP DOING THIS? NO, THIS IS NOT OPTIMAL. THIS IS WHAT WE HAVE TO DO, BECAUSE AS EVERYBODY HAS COMMENTED THIS IS THE REAL PROBLEM. THE PROBLEM IS AT THE INTERSECTION OF AIRPORT AND LAMAR IS HOSTILE TO PEDESTRIANS AND BICYCLES. IF YOU'RE HERE YOU HAVE TO WALK HERE AND HERE TO GET OVER TO THE TRAIN STATION AND WE DON'T THINK ANYBODY WILL BE HAPPY TO DO THAT. WE WOULD LIKE TO FIND SOME WAY TO OPERATE OUR BUSES SAFELY OUT HERE ON LAMAR. WE HIRED CONSULTANTS TO HELP US WORK ON THAT. WE SUBMITTED THAT AS PART OF THE TAG, THE REFERENCE SET IN THEIR REPORT AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO THE IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE. THE MAIN REJS WAS TO DO A FULL CORRIDOR STUDY TO TRY TO FIGURE THIS OUT SO THAT WE CAN SOLVE A SET OF VERY COMPLICATED PROBLEMS IN THIS AREA WHICH IS THE MAIN INTERMODAL CONNECTION AND WHICH WILL BE A VERY HIGH BIKE PED COWBT COUNT IN THE CITY AS WE DEVELOPED THE TOD. THANKS VERY MUCH. I'LL BE GLAD TO ANSWER QUESTIONS.

THANK YOU, MS. GAL IT BREATH? QUESTIONS FOR LUCY. THERE MIGHT BE AS WE CONTINUE THIS DIALOGUE. IF BEING STAY PLEASE DO, LUCY. COUNCIL MEMBER LEFFINGWELL?

LEFFINGWELL: I DON'T KNOW IF THIS RELATES DIRECTLY TO THE STATION AREA PLAN BUT I THINK WE'VE ALL GOTTEN A LOT OF COMPLAINTS ABOUT NOISE, TRAIN NOISE. THE TRAINS PASS VERY CLOSE TO SOME OF THESE SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCES. IS THERE A PLAN TO ABATE THAT NOISE IN SOME WAY?

FOR THE PASSENGER RAIL, WHERE THERE ARE QUAD GATES, THE FOUR GATES THAT GO DOWN, AND I BELIEVE IT'S ON THE CAPITAL METRO BOARD THIS MONTH TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE CITY TO DESIGNATE THOSE AS QUIET ZONES SO THAT WE DO NOT HAVE TO BLOW THE WHISTLE AS WE GO THROUGH THOSE CLOSED GATES. I THINK WE'VE -- I BELIEVE, AND I'M NOT A EXPERT ON THIS AT ALL, BUT I BELIEVE WE HAVE NOW INSTALLED QUAD GATES IN ALL THE RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS THAT ARE -- THE CROSSINGS THAT OUR TRAINS GO THROUGH SO IT IS A MATTER OF MAKING THE NEXT STEP OF GETTING THE OFFICIAL LEGAL PERMISSION TO NOT BLOW THE TRAIN WHISTLE AS IT GOES THROUGH THE CLOSED GATES. OBVIOUSLY IF THERE'S SOMEBODY ON THE TRACKS OR THERE'S A SAFETY ISSUE THEY'LL BLOW THE WHISTLE BUT THAT WE THINK WILL BE THE MOST EFFECTIVE WAY TO REDUCE THE TRAIN WHISTLE NOISE. THE TULT PASSENGER TRAIN ITSELF ACTION OUR CONCERN IS IT'S SO QUIET. YOU MAY HAVE NOTICED THEIR RED AND WHITE SIGNS UP TO IN NEIGHBORHOODS TO WARN PEOPLE TO WATCH, BECAUSE IT'S MUCH QUIETER THAN A FREIGHT TRAIN, SO WE WANT TO BE SURE EVERYONE IS SAFE. WE'LL BE GLAD TO GET YOU THE FULL INFORMATION ON THAT. BUT THAT'S MY UNDERSTANDING.

MAYOR WYNN: FURTHER QUESTIONS FOR MS. GALBREATH, COUNCIL? ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU, LUCY.

THANK YOU.

MAYOR WYNN: NEXT SPEAKER IS KATRINA DANIEL. WELCOME, MS. DANIEL. YOU TOO WILL HAVE THREE MINUTES.

GOOD EVENING, THANK YOU. MY NAME IS KATRINA DANIEL. I'M THE IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT OF THE HIGHLAND NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, CURRENT VICE PRESIDENT OF HIGHLAND NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, I'M VICE CHAIR OF THE BRENTWOOD/HIGHLAND CONTACT TEAM. FIRST I'D LIKE TO THANK CITY STAFF. THEY'VE WORKED WONDERFULLY WITH US THROUGH THE PROCESS. WERE VERY INCLUSIVE, OPEN, HELD A NUMBER OF MEETINGS INVITED THE ENTIRE NEIGHBORHOOD, ANSWERED OUR QUESTIONS EXHAUSTIVELY AND WERE CHEERFUL ABOUT IT AND VERY HELPFUL. SO WE'RE VERY MUCH APPRECIATIVE OF THE OPENNESS OF THE CITY STAFF. AND I ALSO WANTED TO SAY THAT WE'RE SUPPORTIVE OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATIONS TO CITY COUNCIL. THEY GAVE THESE PLANS VERY THOUGHTFUL CONSIDERATION AND I THINK MADE SOME IMPORTANT RECOMMENDATIONS TO YOU. I'M GOING TO BE PRETTY BRIEF BECAUSE I THINK YOU'VE HEARD MOST OF WHAT IS OF MOST CONCERN TO ME. THE AIRPORT-LAMAR INTERSECTION IS A DISASTER, YOU'VE HEARD THAT. I THINK -- I DON'T KNOW, THERE ARE SOME ADJECTIVES THAT HAVE BEEN EXPRESSED THAT I THINK PRETTY WELL -- IT'S HAIR-RAISING IF YOU WANT TO TRY TO CROSS IT AS A PEDESTRIAN ON A BIKE. SO THE PLAN GIVES THAT SOME CONSIDERATION, AND RECONFIGURES THAT, AND CONNECTIVITY IS A BIG ISSUE THAT'S BEEN DISCUSSED. I KNOW YOU'VE GOTTEN A LOT OF EMAILS ABOUT THAT. AND I WOULD SAY ABOUT THAT THAT I THINK MR. KITE EARLIER MADE A REALLY GOOD POINT IN THAT A LITTLE CONNECTIVITY IS PROBABLY A BAD THING, AND SO I THINK MORE IS CRITICAL, AND IN MY NEIGHBORHOOD AS WELL FOLKS ARE CONCERNED WERE THE ABOUT THE INCREASED TRACK. I THINK RATHER THAN BLOCKING STREETS OFF AND LESSENING THE COMMUNITY SENSE FOR ALL THOSE NEW RESIDENCES IN THE CRESTVIEW STATION, I THINK IT WOULD BE BETTER TO ADDRESS THOSE CONCERNS THROUGH TRAFFIC CALMING. SO WHERE WE THINK THERE WILL BE INCREASED TRAFFIC LET'S LOOK AT TRAFFIC CALMING SOLUTIONS RATHER THAN BLOCKING OFF STREETS OR NOT OPENING UP SOME NEW AREAS. AND THEN FINALLY ONE POINT I'D LIKE TO MAKE THAT HASN'T BEEN MADE YET IS I'D LIKE TO EMPHASIZE A RECOMMENDATION THAT WAS IN THE PLAN AND THAT THE PLANNING COMMISSION ALSO TALKED ABOUT, WHICH IS ESTABLISHING A WORK GROUP AND ESTABLISHING A WORK GROUP SOON THAT CROSSES THE DIFFERENT CITY DEPARTMENTS, CAPITAL METRO, BECAUSE I KNOW FROM WORKING IN STATE GOVERNMENT FOR YEARS IT'S HARD WITHIN AGENCIES TO TALK TO EACH OTHER, AND THEN WHEN YOU ADD IN DIFFERENT AGENCIES WORKING ON THE SAME PROJECT, THEN IT'S CRITICAL. SO I THINK A WORK GROUP THAT INCLUDES THE VAST ARRAY OF STAKEHOLDERS AND DIFFERENT GOVERNMENT ENTITIES WILL BE CRITICAL TO MAKING SURE THIS IS IMPLEMENTED PROPERLY. AND I THINK THAT'S ABOUT IT. UNLESS ANYONE HAS ANY QUESTIONS.

MAYOR WYNN: THANK YOU, MS. DANIEL. QUESTIONS FOR KATRINA, COUNCIL? THANK YOU.

THANK YOU.

MAYOR WYNN: LET'S SEE. STEVE CONER, COULD COULD NOT COONER, SORRY, WANTED TO GIVE US TESTIMONY, AND IF MS. JOHNS WANTS TO SHE IS AFTER YOU. WELCOME.

MAYOR, COUNCIL MEMBERS, APPRECIATE THIS OPPORTUNITY. I'M A RESIDENT OF THE CRESTVIEW NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION BE SERVE AS THE VICE PRESIDENT OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION. LIVED THERE FOR 26 YEARS, BEEN INVOLVED IN PLANNING, INVOLVED IN THE CRESTVIEW NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN, EFFORTS TO CALM TRAFFIC, DEAL WITH ISSUES. I LIVE ON MORROW STREET. YOU'VE HEARD ABOUT IT. YOU'LL HEAR IT AGAIN TONIGHT AND IN THE FUTURE, I'M SURE. COUPLE OF EXCEPTIONS TO THE PLAN. IN GENERAL I'M SOMEWHAT IN FAVOR OF THE TOD. IT'S A DEVELOPMENT THAT'S COMING, WITH TWO EXCEPTIONS. ONE OF THEM THAT IS PART OF THE PLAN AND ONE AS YOU'VE HEARD TONIGHT WAS PROPOSED AT THE PLANNING COMMISSION. FIRST, I OPPOSE THE EASY WIND DRIVE CROSSING THE COMMUTER RAIL JUST WEST OF THE STATION, AND YOU'VE HEARD THE WORD "CONNECTIVITY". QUITE A NICE WORD. I BELIEVE IN IT. IN MOST CASES IT'S APPROPRIATE. IN THIS CASE IT'S NOT APPROPRIATE. IT HAS MAJOR DRAWBACKS WHEN YOU CONNECT EASY WIND TO JUSTIN, AND I'LL TRY TO EXPLAIN THIS. OVER THE YEARS, OVER 20 YEARS, TRAFFIC STUDIES HAVE BEEN DONE IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD AND SURROUNDING AREAS, TRAFFIC FLOW, ORIGINAL -- WE STUDY WHERE TRAFFIC ORIGINATES FROM AND GOING TO. TRAFFIC COMING DOWN ST. JOHN'S AND GOING WEST INTO THE DEVELOPMENT -- INTO CRESTVIEW STATION WOULD GET ON EASY WIND, TRAVEL TO JUSTIN AND TAKE WHEREVER THEY GO ON JUSTIN, WHICH IN OUR CASE WE'RE WORRIED ABOUT THEM COMING DOWN JUSTIN TO THE WEST TO BURNET ROAD, TO THE NORTHCROSS COMMERCIAL AREA, TO MOPAC. THIS WAS ALL HAPPENING WHEN MORROW WAS OPEN. BEFORE NORTHCROSS DIED OFF, AND BEFORE THE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT THAT'S COMING. WE ALREADY HAD A PROBLEM THEN. WE SEE POTENTIAL PROBLEM WITH THE CONNECTIVITY WITHIN THE DEVELOPMENT IF THIS IS THE CASE. MY SECOND EXCEPTION IS TO THE PROPOSED PLAN TO REQUEST THE OPENING OF MORROW STREET AT LAMAR. THIS PLAN WAS -- THIS MEASURE WAS PUT INTO PLACE A LITTLE OVER TEN YEARS AGO WITH THE CITY WITH COOPERATION FROM TXDOT. I'LL EXPLAIN THEIR PIECE A LITTLE LATER. THE REQUEST TO REMOVE THE MEASURES WAS MADE IN RELATION TO THE DESIRE FOR INCREASED CONVENIENCE FOR DRIVERS SEEKING ACCESS POINTS WITHIN THE CRESTVIEW, WHICH WE SAW TONIGHT WITH CHURCHES, CHURCH SCHOOLS AND THE STORE. AND POINTS BEYOND, THAT BEING BURNET ROAD, MOPAC AND EVERYTHING -- AND THE NEIGHBORHOODS TO THE WEST OF CRESTVIEW. IN THE EARLY 1990S TWO MEASURES WERE PUT IN PLACE TO REDUCE EXTREMELY HIGH LEVEL OF CUT-THROUGH NON-NEIGHBORHOOD TRAFFIC. DRIVERS WERE USING MORROW, A NEIGHBORHOOD STREET, TO TRAVEL FROM ALL POINTS EAST OF LAMAR THROUGH THE BREADTH OF CRESTVIEW NEIGHBORHOOD TO BURNET ROAD, THE NORTHCROSS COMMERCIAL AREA AND TO MOPAC. THE TXDOT CONNECTION -- LET ME EXPLAIN THAT. THERE'S A BRIDGE NORTH OF MORROW

THAT TXDOT PUT IN IN CONNECTION WITH THE -- THE SITUATION AT MORROW TO ENABLE PEOPLE TRAVELING NORTH ON LA MORE TO ACCESS WESTBOUND ANDERSON LANE FROM LAMAR. BEFORE THEY PUT THAT LITTLE OVERPASS IN, THE CONNECTION OF 183 AND LAMAR WESTBOUND DIDN'T EXIST. YOU HAD TO GO UP THROUGH FIVE LIGHTS -- FOUR TO GET TO ANDERSON, FIVE TO GET BACK AROUND TO MORROW, NORTHBOUND ON LAMAR. SO TXDOT, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE CITY'S CITY'S SITUATION AT THE INTERSECTION, DID THE OVERPASS TO HELP PULL TRAFFIC OFF NEIGHBORHOOD STREETS AND PUT THEM ON THE ARTERIAL ANDERSON LANE. THAT'S WHERE WE SEE THE TRAFFIC GOING. IT'S WHAT'S USED NOW. TRAFFIC ACCOUNTS FOR A LITTLE UNDER 10,000 BEFORE THE IMPROVEMENTS. AS YOU HEARD, IT'S A LITTLE OVER 2 NOW. TAKING AWAY THOSE IMPROVEMENTS, NUMBERS WILL RISE.

MAYOR WYNN: THANK YOU. AND MS. JOHNS? DOROTHY? WE'LL CERTAINLY SHOW YOU BEING HERE FOR THE RECORD AND SUPPORTING HIS TESTIMONY. HOW ABOUT RICHARD BROCK? RICHARD BROCK IS SIGNED UP TO SPEAK AS -- AND TO BE FOLLOWED BY LATENT CAR. WELCOME. YOU'LL EACH HAVE THREE MINUTES.

GOOD EVENING, MAYOR, COUNCIL. MY NAME IS RICHARD BROCK. I'M THE CHAIR OF THE BRENTWOOD NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING CONTACT TEAM AND I'M HERE TONIGHT TO JUST EMPHASIZE THE RECOMMENDATIONS THEY HAVE RELATED TO THIS PROPOSED PLAN AMENDMENT. AND SAY FIRST AND FOREMOST THAT LIKE SO MANY OTHER PEOPLE THIS EVENING WE ARE FOR THIS PLAN, MOSTLY AS PROPOSED, AND WE HAVE EIGHT POINTS THAT WERE IN YOUR BACKUP AND ALSO IN THIS HANDOUT WHERE WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE A LITTLE IMPROVEMENT, IF POSSIBLE. BUT WE WANT TO THANK EVERYONE INVOLVED IN CREATING THIS PLAN AND WE THINK EVERYONE HAS DONE A WONDERFUL JOB. WE JUST WANT YOU TO HAVE THE FEELING WE'RE GENERALLY SUPPORTIVE AND NOW I'LL GET TO THE POINTS WHERE WE MIGHT DIFFER JUST A LITTLE BIT, AND I'LL FOCUS ON THREE. THE FIRST ONE IS FLOODING. IN THE SECOND PAGE THAT I HANDED OUT THERE IS A MAP WITH CIRCLES, AND THOSE ALL REPRESENT AREAS THAT HAVE HAD FLOODING COMPLAINTS IN THE PAST IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD, AND OR PLACES THAT WERE REVEALED IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING SURVEY. SO OUR FIRST POINT WE'D LIKE TO MAKE IS THAT WHILE WE'RE GOING TO FOSTER ALL THIS NEW DEVELOPMENT THAT BRENTWOOD GENERALLY SUPPORTS, WE'D LIKE TO SEE, IF POSSIBLE, A REPRIORITIZATION OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT MONEY FOR ADDRESSING FLOOD ISSUES. I KNOW THERE ARE A LOT OF THINGS THAT ARE IN THE WORKS BUT THEY'RE SEVERAL YEARS DOWN THE ROAD, SO IF WE CAN BUMP THAT UP THAT'S WHAT WE'RE AFTER THERE. ANOTHER THING I WANTED TO MENTION WAS PARKLAND AND OPEN SPACE. WE KNOW THAT THE PLANNING COMMISSION HAD RECOMMENDED WE LOOK FOR WAYS TO FIND SOME IN THE AREA NEAR THIS PROPOSED TOD, AND WE WOULD LIKE TO OFFER AS A SUGGESTION THE ARROYO FROM -- AND I WANT TO READ IT HERE, FROM WOODROW TO NORTH LOOP. WE THINK IT MIGHT MAKE A NICE LITTLE BIT OF A GREENBELT WITH POSSIBLY A JOGGING TRAIL OR BIKE PATH THAT MIGHT HELP FOSTER PEOPLE GETTING TO AND FROM THE NEW DEVELOPMENT. AND THEN FINALLY I'D LIKE TO TOUCH A LITTLE BIT ON CONNECTIVITY. I KNOW YOU'VE HEARD A

LOT ABOUT IT. OUR SLANT ON THAT HAS TO DO WITH PAIN, AND PAYNE IS A STREET THAT CURRENTLY DOESN'T GO ALL THE WAY TO LAMAR. AND I GUESS WE WANT TO KEEP IT THAT WAY. IT PROBABLY SOUNDS NIMBY BUT MY RATIONALE FOR THAT AND THAT OF THE TEAM IS THAT WE HAVE A CUT-THROUGH STREET OR THROUGH STREET CALLED BRENTWOOD JUST TWO BLOCKS NORTH. WE HAVE ROW MAYOR YEAH THREE BLOCKS TO THE SOUTH AND BOTH THOSE STREETS ALREADY GO TO LAMAR AND ACROSS IT. ROW MAYOR YEAH DOESN'T REALLY CROSS IT BUT HITS LAMAR AND THEN DENSON GOES TO THE EAST. SO WE FEEL LIKE IN THOSE FEW SHORT BLOCKS THAT'S ENOUGH ACCESS THROUGH TO LAMAR AND WE'D PREFER THAT YOU DELETE ANY REFERENCE TO THE EXTENSION OF PAYNE FROM THE PLAN SIMPLY BECAUSE IF IT HAS TO BE DONE LATER OR IF IT NEEDS TO BE REVISITED WE COULD AMEND THE PLAN AT A FUTURE DATE. SO THOSE ARE THE THREE MAIN POINTS AND I WON'T TAKE UP ANY MORE OF YOUR TIME EXCEPT TO SAY IF YOU HAD ANY QUESTIONS I'D BE HAPPY TO ANSWER THEM. AND THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

MAYOR WYNN: THANK YOU, MR. BROCK FOR ALL YOUR WORK. LET'S SEE. LATENT CARR. WELCOME, LATEEN. YOU WILL HAVE THREE MINUTES.

I'M LATENT CARR I'M A MEMBER OF THE BRENTWOOD NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION STEERING COMMITTEE AND WHILE I'M SPEAKING ON MY OWN BEHALF, THESE ARE ISSUES THAT I'VE BECOME AWARE OF THROUGH THAT ASSOCIATION AND EXPERIENCE, AND MR. BROCK IS JUST -- HAS JUST TOUCHED ON ONE OF THEM AND I WON'T REPEAT BUT IT HAD TO DO WITH THE FLOODING THAT IS COMING DOWN GROVER CHANNEL AND I WANTED TO BE COGNIZANT OF THAT AS WE DEVELOP THE TRAIN STATION. ANOTHER ONE WAS STEVE POOL MENTIONED SOME THINGS ABOUT THE PAYNE STREET ACCESS, AND I WANTED TO ADD A COUPLE THINGS ON THAT. THE CIRCULATION DIAGRAM THAT WAS SHOWN EARLIER IN THE STAFF PRESENTATION SUGGESTED CONCEPTUAL POSSIBLE CONNECTION OF PAYNE TO LAMAR, AND FOR REASONS, YOU KNOW, WE THINK THAT THAT MIGHT BE A BAD DECISION. ONE IS THAT IT CONTRADICTS THE NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING CONTACT COMMITTEE'S, I GUESS, SPIRIT OF RECOMMENDATIONS TO NOT MAKE ANY MORE CONNECTIONS INTO THE NEIGHBORHOOD. ALSO, THAT ACCESS TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD IS ALREADY PROVIDED IN SEVERAL SPOTS, WHICH ARE AT BRENTWOOD, JUSTIN LANE, ROMERIA AND AGAIN AT CANE IG CONE IG LANE. EVEN THOUGH THIS EMPHASIZES CON SEP EXCEPTION BY STAFF, WE THINK THAT JUST BEING IN THE DOCUMENT HAS A POSSIBILITY -- AS A POSSIBILITY IS A CONCERN AND IF WE HAD OUR DROTTERS WE'D LIKE TO HAVE THAT REMOVED FROM THERE AND THEN IF IT DOES BECOME AN ISSUE, OR I GUESS A NECESSARY CONSIDERATION IN THE FUTURE, THAT NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION BE APPROACHED WITH IT AND, YOU KNOW, DEALT WITH IT IN THAT CAPACITY. SO THAT'S ALL I HAVE.

MAYOR WYNN: THANK YOU, MR. CAR. SO COUNCIL, I BELIEVE THAT'S ALL OF THE FOLKS WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO GIVE US TESTIMONY ON THIS COMBINED CASE 97, 98, 99. QUESTIONS OF STAFF? COMMENTS? COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ.

MARTINEZ: THANKS, MAYOR. GEORGE, I WANTED TO JUST ASK YOU WHAT THE PLANS ARE TO COME BACK ON SECOND READING IN RELATION TO MANY OF THE CONCERNS WE HEAR ABOUT TRAFFIC PATTERNS AND, YOU KNOW, CUT-THROUGH. ARE WE LOOKING AT STRATEGIES TO DO TRAFFIC CALMING? ARE WE -- WHAT ARE WE DOING AND WHAT'S GOING TO COME BACK BEFORE SECOND AND THIRD READING?

WELL, THERE ARE A SERIES OF DETAILED STEPS THAT ARE IDENTIFIED IN THE PLAN, IN THE IMPLEMENTATION SECTION, REGARDING SOME OF THESE ISSUES. YOU KNOW, THE IDEA OF FORMING THE WORKING GROUP, WORKING WITH ALL THE STAKEHOLDERS TO LOOK AT SOME OF THESE CONCEPTUAL STREET EXTENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS AND REFINING THE PROPOSALS OVER TIME. WE CAN CERTAINLY, BETWEEN NOW AND SECOND AND THIRD READING, GET WITH THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT AND FINE TUNE SOME OF THOSE PROPOSALS, MAKE SURE THAT WE UNDERSTAND IF AND WHEN THESE NEIGHBORHOODS WILL BE IN THE QUEUE FOR TRAFFIC CALMING, AND BASICALLY COME BACK WITH A MORE COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH ON HOW TO LOOK AT THESE ROADWAY CONNECTION ISSUES.

MARTINEZ: WHAT ABOUT THE ISSUE THAT WAS BROUGHT UP FROM THE BRENTWOOD NEIGHBORHOOD ABOUT THE FLOODING?

THE --

MARTINEZ: WAS THAT DISCUSSED DURING THE PLANNING?

IT WAS NOT DISCUSSED DURING THE PLAN THAT I'M AWARE OF BECAUSE IT'S WELL TO THE WEST OF THE BOUNDARY -- THE GROVER CHANNEL IS WELL TO THE WEST OF THE BOUNDARY OF THE TOD. MY UNDERSTANDING IS IT'S PRIMARILY THE ARROYO SECO AREA THAT'S OF CONCERN, AND THAT IS ROUGHLY A QUARTER MILE WEST OF THE -- OF THE WESTERN BOUNDARY OF THE TOD. SO IT WAS -- IT WAS NOT A FOCUS OF THE PLANNING PROCESS.

MARTINEZ: I THINK -- I GUESS WE CAN TAKE FROM THE MESSAGE FROM BRENTWOOD, MAYBE, THAT THEY'RE SAYING AS A PRIORITY WE SHOULD AT LEAST FIX THE FLOODING PROBLEMS IN OUR NEIGHBORHOODS BEFORE WE START REDEVELOPING MORE DENSITY.

THAT'S A FAIR ASSESSMENT.

MARTINEZ: THANK YOU.

MAYOR WYNN: FURTHER QUESTIONS, COMMENTS? COUNCIL MEMBER COLE?

COLE: MAYOR, I THINK WE'VE GIVEN STAFF GOOD DIRECTION ON WHAT WE EXPECT TO SEE IN TERMS OF THE AFFORDABILITY QUESTION AND HELPING THE NEIGHBORS WITH THE TRANSPORTATION ISSUES THAT HAVE COME UP. SO I'M PREPARED TO MAKE A MOTION

THAT WE INCLUDE THE SAME AMENDMENTS TO THE STATION AREA PLANS THAT WE INCLUDED FOR MLK AND PLAZA SALTILLO.

MAYOR WYNN: SO MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER COLE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER KIM, TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPROVE ON FIRST READING ONLY -- I WANT TO MAKE SURE I CAN -- THIS JIBES, GEORGE, I GUESS WHAT WOULD BE THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION WITH THE ADDITION OF THOSE SAME PARAMETERS -- OR AMENDMENTS THAT WE PUT IN PLACE ON OUR MLK AND SALTILLO TOD.

COLE: I CAN READ THOSE IF IT WOULD MAKE IT CLEAR.

MAYOR WYNN: GO AHEAD.

COLE: WE'RE CHANGING THE 10% TO 25% FOR THE AFFORDABILITY REQUIRED FOR DENSITY AFFORDABILITY ELIGIBILITY. WE'RE DIRECTING STAFF TO INITIATE OR DISCUSS THE CREATION OF A TIF TO FUND PUBLIC RESPONSIBILITIES FOR COUNCIL FUTURE CONSIDERATION. WE'RE DEVELOPING A UTILITY FINANCING STRUCTURE THE SAME AS THE AUSTIN WATER UTILITY IS DOING FOR UNO. WE'RE COMING UP WITH INTERIM IMPLEMENTATION PLAN PRIOR TO SECOND READING, WHICH INCLUDES TO IDENTIFY SPECIFIC PARK ACQUISITION SITES, TO NOT UP-ZONE THE PROPOSED PARK ACQUISITION SITE, AND TO PREPARE A PARK ACQUISITION PLAN FOR COUNCIL APPROVAL, AND ALSO TO PREPARE TRAIL CONNECTIVITY AND TRAIL ACQUISITION, AND ALSO TO CONSIDER FINANCIAL SUBSIDIES ON HOUSING. WE'RE ALSO REQUIRING MIXED USE IN TOD DEVELOPMENTS AND CORRIDOR MIXED USE. ALSO, IF ANY UTILITY OR CITY DEPARTMENT IMPOSES REQUIREMENTS THAT ALTERS THIS PLAN, THEY HAVE TO COME TO COUNCIL WITH A WAIVER APPLICATION WITHIN 45 DAYS. NO FEE IN LIEU ON RESIDENTIAL PROJECTS WITHOUT COUNCIL WAIVER, AND WE DID NOT WAVE COMPATIBILITY STANDARDS, BUT MADE PART OF AFFORDABILITY HOUSING DENSITY BONUSES. AND I HAVE TO THANK COUNCIL MEMBER MCCracken FOR THAT.

MAYOR WYNN: AND GEORGE, REMIND ME, THEN, HOW THAT -- DOES THAT CONFLICT ANY WITH THE ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS BROUGHT FORWARD BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION? SEEMS TO ME THEIRS WERE SPECIFIC TO SORT OF THE CONNECTIVITY AND TRAFFIC CALMING.

I BELIEVE SO, AND I THINK IT CERTAINLY RESPONDS TO SOME OF THEIR -- MOST OF THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS, WHICH WERE ENCOURAGING THE COUNCIL TO TAKE A MORE FIRM STAND ON AFFORDABLE HOUSING OR INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING, THOSE SORTS OF ISSUES. SO I THINK THESE ARE CONSISTENT.

MAYOR WYNN: SO MOTION AND SECOND ON THE TABLE. COUNCIL MEMBER LEFFINGWELL?

LEFFINGWELL: CAN WE ADD TO THE MOTION DIRECTION TO COME BACK ON SECOND

READING WITH AN ANALYSIS OF THE TRAFFIC MITIGATION -- AN ANALYSIS OF AND A PLAN FOR TRAFFIC MITIGATION ON THE THROUGH STREETS, MORROW, EASY WIND AND JUSTIN LANE?

COLE: THAT'S AGREEABLE.

MAYOR WYNN: AND IF I COULD EXPAND THAT, GEORGE, AND REALLY ANY OTHER OPPORTUNITY I'D AGREE WITH A COUPLE OF THE BROAD COMMENTS, I THINK MR. KITE AND MS. DANIEL, THAT, YOU KNOW, THE MORE CONNECTIVITY, THE BETTER, IF THROUGH SOME STRUCTURE, WHETHER IT'S AS SIMPLE AS STOP SIGNS OR STRUCTURAL TRAFFIC-CALMING DEVICES, YOU KNOW, THAT DISPERSED TRAFFIC IN A MODERATE NEIGHBORHOOD SPEED. SO I'D ACTUALLY EVEN SUGGEST TO MAKE SURE THERE'S NOT AN ADDITIONAL CONNECTION POINT OR TWO THAT IN CONJUNCTION WITH, YOU KNOW, TRAFFIC-CALMING -- A BROADER TRAFFIC-CALMING PLAN COULD ACTUALLY INCREASE CONNECTIVITY. COUNCIL MEMBER KIM?

KIM: WELL, I BELIEVE MORROW IS TO BE REOPENED AND THE OTHER STREETS NEED TO BE EITHER OPENED OR CUT OFF TO A BALANCED NET EFFECT AND WE WANT TO MAKE SURE WE'RE LOOKING AT ALL THE INTERSECTIONS IN THIS PROBLEM AREA AND MAKE SURE WHO'S RESPONSIBLE FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD BEFORE WE CUT THROUGH THE TRAFFIC FOR MORROW. SO THAT'S WHAT I'LL BE LOOKING FOR FOR SECOND READING.

MAYOR WYNN: AND GEORGE, REMIND US, WHAT'S THE -- WHAT'S THE LIKELY TIMING ON, YOU KNOW, SECOND AND THIRD READING FOR THIS PLAN, AND WHAT -- WHAT DID WE ANTICIPATE FOR THE MLK SALTILLO TOD?

WE'VE ALREADY BEGUN -- WE'VE HAD A NUMBER OF MEETINGS WITH VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS TO START THE PROCESS OF LOOKING AT THESE ISSUES. WE'RE HOPEFUL THAT WE CAN GET SOMETHING BACK TO THE COUNCIL FOR ALL THREE OF THESE, PROBABLY MOST OPTIMISTICALLY AT YOUR LAST MEETING IN MAY, WHICH WOULD BE THE 22ND, POSSIBLY THAT MIGHT JUMP TO JUNE 5 IF WE CAN'T MAKE THAT 22ND DATE.

MAYOR WYNN: THAT'S REASONABLE. AGAIN, MOTION AND A SECOND ON THE TABLE, AMENDED MOTION AND A SECOND ON THE TABLE, FIRST READING ONLY. FURTHER COMMENTS? HEARING NONE, ALL THOSE IF IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE.

AYE.

MAYOR WYNN: AYE. OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON FIRST READING ONLY WITH A VOTE OF 6-0, COUNCIL MEMBER MCCrackEN OFF THE DAIS.

THANK YOU.

MAYOR WYNN: THANK YOU, GEORGE, AND THANK EVERYBODY FOR A LOT OF ATTENTION. SO MR. GUERNSEY, I THINK THAT TAKES US BACK TO ITEM 90.

90. YES, ITEM NO. 90 IS CASE C14-2007-0042. THIS IS FOR THE JUDGE SNEAD HOUSE. OKAY, 1801 NELMS DRIVE. THE SNEAD HOUSE WAS CONSTRUCTED BACK IN 1857, AND THE CURRENT OWNER, WHICH IS INVEST MARK HOMES IS ASKING COUNCIL TO CONSIDER A ZONING CHANGE ON THIS PROPERTY FROM SF-3 H, WHICH IS FAMILY RESIDENCE HISTORIC LANDMARK AND SF -- TO MF-4 AND 4 F WHICH STANDS FOR MULTIFAMILY HIGH DENSITY ON THE PROPERTIES. THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION WAS TO APPROVE A FOOTPRINT FOR THE HISTORIC STRUCTURE AND -- THE REMAINS OF THE HISTORIC STRUCTURE ON THE PROPERTY, AND THAT THE BALANCE OF THE PROPERTY BE ZONED MF-3, MEDIUM DENSITY, PROVIDING THAT CONDOMINIUMS, TOWNHOUSES AND MULTIFAMILY RESIDENTIAL USE HIGHER THAN AN SF-3 USE WOULD REQUIRE SITE PLAN APPROVAL BY THE COMMISSION, AND THERE'S A PROVISION FOR 25-FOOT COMPATIBILITY SETBACK AROUND THE RUINS. THE LANDMARK COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATION WAS TO GRANT THE ZONING CHANGE FROM FAMILY RESIDENCE SF-3 TO HISTORIC DISTRICT ZONING FOR THE RUINS, BASICALLY TO KEEP THAT. THERE'S A 40-FOOT BUFFER AROUND THE RUINS AND MULTIFAMILY RESIDENCE, SF-3 H ZONING FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE TRACT. THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION, WHICH IS A REVISED RECOMMENDATION, WAS TO GRANT MULTIFAMILY RESIDENCE MODERATE HIGH DENSITY OR MF-4 HCO ZONING FOR THE PROPERTY FOR THE 25-FOOT REJ TATE I HAVE BUFFER AROUND THE RUINS, BUT THE -- VEGETATIVE BUFFER, BUT WITHIN THAT AREA YOU COULD HAVE SIDEWALKS, DRAINAGE, UNDERGROUND IMPROVEMENTS, RIRDZ BY THE CITY. THE PROPERTY ITSELF IS ALMOST COMPLETELY SURROUNDED BY EXISTING APARTMENTS, SO AN MF-3, THEY EXIST TO THE NORTH, TO THE SOUTH AND TO THE EAST. FURTHER TO THE WEST OF THE PROPERTY AND THEN IF YOU -- IS RETAIL TRACTS THAT FRONT THE FRONTAGE ROAD OF IH-35 NORTH. ON THIS AREA IN GENERAL IS EAST OF IH-35 NORTH OF WILLIAM CANON. AS I MENTIONED BEFORE, THE SITE DOES HAVE HISTORIC ZONING CURRENTLY ON THE RUINS OF THE PROPERTY. THAT WAS DONE THROUGH HISTORIC ZONING BACK IN 1979. THE REMAINDER OF THE PROPERTY WAS ZONED MF-3. AT THAT TIME THE APARTMENTS DO NOT EXIST NEARBY AND THOSE HAVE TAKEN PLACE AS WELL AS THE RETAIL. EVERYTHING HAS KIND OF GROWN AROUND THE RUINS OF THE JUDGE SNEAD'S HOUSE. WE DO HAVE PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE PROPERTY, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE THOSE, BUT BASICALLY THEY CONSIST OF STONE WALLS, NO ROOF. IT'S A RATHER OPEN STRUCTURE. THE PROPERTY OWNER HAS GONE TO CONSIDERABLE EXPENSE TRYING TO SECURE THE PROPERTY, KEEPING VAGRANTS OUT. THERE'S BEEN IN THE PAST PROBABLY ABOUT 20 OR SO YEARS AGO FIRES THAT HAVE OCCURRED AND THEY'VE DAMAGED THE STRUCTURE, AND IT IS -- IT IS IN QUITE DISREPAIR TODAY.

MAYOR WYNN: I'M SURE YOU SAID THIS. SO THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION ORIGINALLY WAS MF-4 H.

H.

MAYOR WYNN: SO H BEING YOU STILL HAVE LIKE A FOOTPRINT HISTORIC ZONING OF THE RUINS?

THAT'S RIGHT, AND THAT WOULD BE OVER THE ENTIRE PROPERTY. THAT WOULD GIVE THE OWNER THE BENEFIT OF CREATING -- OR CALCULATING DENSITY ON THE ENTIRE PROPERTY. IF YOU WERE TO LEAVE THE FOOTPRINT OF THE STRUCTURE SF-3, THEN YOU WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO CALCULATE MULTIFAMILY ZONING TO TAKE THE BENEFIT OF THE ADDITIONAL UNITS BECAUSE OF THAT LITTLE PIECE WOULD BE BASICALLY SUBTRACTED FROM THE AREA WHICH YOU COULD CALCULATE MULTIFAMILY UNITS OFF OF. [ONE MOMENT, PLEASE, FOR CHANGE IN CAPTIONERS.]

Mayor Wynn: NOBODY ELSE IN FAVOR OR OPPOSED OTHER THAN THE AGENT OR OWNER, MR. THROWER.

WITH THAT I'LL PAUSE IF YOU HAVE ANY OTHER QUESTIONS. OUR HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER, STEVE SADOWSKY HERE IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO KNOW MORE DETAILS ABOUT THE STRUCTURE.

SO MR. THROWER, BEING THE AGENT OR APPLICANT, HAVE YOU A FIVE MINUTE PRESENTATION. WELCOME.

RON THROWER REPRESENTING THE APPLICANT. I THINK MR. GUERNSEY DID A GOOD JOB OF EXPLAINING EXACTLY WHAT'S SURROUNDING THE PROPERTY, WHICH IS A LOT OF MULTI-FAMILY AND COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT LOCATED NOR OF WILLIAM CANNON AND EAST OF I-35. WE HAVE A LOT OF MULTI-FAMILY ZONING AROUND THE PROPERTY. IT'S NOT FULLY DEVELOPED AROUND THERE. WE HAVE A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF COMMERCIAL THAT'S ASHED THE PROPERTY. THIS IS A PICTURE OF THE STRUCTURE THAT'S ON THE PROPERTY. AS YOU CAN SEE, THERE ARE SOME WALLS THAT ARE REMAINING AND THERE IS A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF DAMAGE THAT WAS DONE AS A PART OF THE FIRE THAT OCCURRED MANY YEARS AGO. THESE ARE ADDITIONAL PICTURES OF THE STRUCTURE ON THE PROPERTY. THE ADDITIONAL 40-FOOT SET BACK IS QUITE IMPOSING WHEN YOU LOOK AT THIS EXHIBIT BECAUSE OF THE AMOUNT OF SITE AREA THAT IT TAKES UP. WE HAVE A 2400 SQUARE FOOT STRUCTURE. WE HAVE A 40-FOOT SET BACK THAT EATS UP 14,000 SQUARE FEET. WE HAVE THE ADDITIONAL ZONING SET BACK THAT EAT UP AN ADDITIONAL 14,000 SQUARE FEET. AND THEREFORE ONLY 60% OF THE SITE IS USABLE. AND YOU CAN SEE THE DIMENSIONAL ASPECTS THAT THIS MUCH OF A SETBACK CAUSES ON THE PROPERTY. THE ZONING AND PLATTING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION WERE FOR A 25-FOOT BUFFER AROUND THE 5400 SQUARE FOOT STRUCTURE IS A LITTLE BIT LESS IMPOSING. STAFF'S RECOMMENDING THE MF-4 ZONING. WE HAVE SOUGHT THE MF-4 ZONE FOR THIS PROPERTY. WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE THAT. HOW THE MIDDLE PART OF THE PROPERTY GETS ZONED, WHETHER IT'S MF-4 H, SF-3 H, HOWEVER STAFF FEELS IS

APPROPRIATE BECAUSE OF THE CERTAIN SITE AREA REQUIREMENTS, WHATEVER IS OKAY WITH THE COUNCIL FOR THAT H DESIGNATION AS FAR AS THE BASE DISTRICT IS FINE BY THE OWNERS OF THE PROPERTY. THE 25-FOOT SET BACK, WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE IT AS A BUILDING LINE. THE REASON BEING IS BECAUSE WE STILL HAVE SOME DIMENSIONAL ASPECTS RELATING TO DISTANCES FROM THE SETBACK TO THE SIDE PROPERTY LINES. AND AS A COMPROMISE, I'M OFFERING THAT WE LIMIT THAT TO 50% IMPERVIOUS COVER INSIDE THAT 25-FOOT SET BACK. THE COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION THAT IT WAS SUPPOSED TO BE A 25-FOOT VEGETATIVE BUFFER WOULDN'T IN MY OPINION EVEN ALLOW FOR SIDEWALKS TO GO UP TO THE HISTORIC STRUCTURE. THIS AT LEAST ALLOWS FOR US TO HAVE SIDEWALKS UP TO MAYBE AROUND THE HISTORIC SITE, A SMALL AMOUNT OF MAYBE A DRIVEWAY THAT COULD CIRCLE AROUND FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT ACCESS AND EVEN A SMALL AMOUNT OF PARKING THAT COULD BE WITHIN THAT SET BACK, BUT LIMITING IT TO 50%. AND THEREFORE THAT'S WHAT I'M ASKING THE COUNCIL TO CONSIDER FOR THE ZONING FOR THIS PROPERTY. I'M AVAILABLE IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. THROWER. THE VISUAL HELPS A LOT. QUESTIONS FOR MR. THROWER OR COMMENTS? THOUGHTS? COUNCILMEMBER MARTINEZ.

Martinez: I'LL TAKE A STAB AT A MOTION. AT THE RATE MR. THROWER WAS GOING I THOUGHT WE WERE ABOUT TO GET S.O.S. COMPLIANCE. IN THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION, GREG, MR. THROWER SPOKE TO THE SETBACKS AND WHAT THE TERM HE USED, THE BUILDING LINE?

RIGHT.

Martinez: HOW DOES THAT TRANSLATE IN THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION THAT YOU HAVE?

WELL, THE STAFF RECOMMENDED THAT THE ONLY IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN THAT 25-FOOT AREA WOULD BE LIMITED TO SIDEWALKS, SOME DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS, UNDERGROUND UTILITIES, SO IT WOULD NOT HAVE PROVIDED FOR THE PARKING OR THE DRIVEWAY AISLE. IT WOULD NOT HAVE ALLOWED THE 50% OF THE AREA TO BE USED IN THAT MANNER UNLESS IT WAS ALL OCCUPIED BY SIDEWALK. SO THE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION WITH RESPECT TO THAT 25-FOOT BUFFER IS MORE RESTRICTIVE THAN WHAT MR. THROWER IS SUGGESTING. AND WHAT RON HAD EXPLAINED IS TO USE 50% OF AREA THAT COULD BE USED FOR SIDEWALK OR DRIVEWAY OR PARKING, BUT NO BUILDINGS. AND BOTH STAFF AND RON BOTH AGREE THAT THERE WOULD BE NO BUILDINGS IN THIS AREA.

Martinez: SO WAS THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION STIPULATED WITH THE PERCENTAGE OF IMPERVIOUS COVER.

NO. WE DIDN'T SPEAK TO THE AMOUNT OF IMPERVIOUS COVER, JUST THAT THE IMPROVEMENTS IN THE AREA WOULD BE LIMITED TO SIDEWALK AND SOME DRAINAGE UTILITIES AND THINGS LIKE THAT.

Martinez: OKAY. I'LL MAKE A MOTION TO APPROVE STAFF RECOMMENDATION WITH THE STIPULATION THAT 50 PERCENT OF THE AREA WITHIN THE 25-FOOT SET BACK CAN BE USED FOR IMPERVIOUS COVER.

Mayor Wynn: MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER MARTINEZ TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVE ON ALL THREE READINGS STAFF RECOMMENDATION WITH THE ADDITIONAL PARAMETER THAT IMPERVIOUS COVER WITHIN THE 25-FOOT SET BACK BE LIMITED TO 50%. SECONDED BY THE MAYOR PRO TEM.

AND STAFF UNDERSTANDS THAT WOULD ALLOW PARKING, DRIVEWAYS OR SIDEWALKS.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. MOTION AND A SECOND ON THE TABLE. FURTHER COMMENTS? COUNCILMEMBER KIM.

I THINK THIS IS A GOOD COMPROMISE TO WORK OUT FOR THE HISTORIC PORTION, WHICH IS RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE SITE, BUT AT THE SAME TIME TO HAVE THE MULTI-FAMILY HOUSING THERE, WHICH IS SURROUNDED BY OTHER MULTI-FAMILY. SO I THINK THIS IS A GOOD COMPROMISE.

Mayor Wynn: FURTHER COMMENTS? HEARING NONE, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR PLEASE SAY AYE. OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON ALL THREE READINGS WITH A VOTE OF SIX TO ZERO WITH COUNCILMEMBER MCCracken OFF THE DAIS.

WITH THAT MAYOR I CAN CONTINUE ON TO ITEM NUMBER 91.

FINAL ITEM, NUMBER 91.

VERY GOOD, MAYOR. COUNCIL, ITEM NUMBER 91 IS CASE C-14-2007-0264. THIS IS FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 100 EAST 50th STREET OWNED BY THE TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT. THIS IS A REQUEST TO ESTABLISH ZONING ON THIS PROPERTY. CURRENTLY THE PROPERTY IS UNZONED LAND OWNED BY THE STATE OF TEXAS TO MF-2, NCCD NP WHICH STANDS FOR MULTI-FAMILY DENSITY -- MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENCE LOW DENSITY, NEIGHBORHOOD CONSERVATION COMBINING DISTRICT ZONING ON TRACT 1, WHICH IS APPROXIMATELY 2.378 ACRES TRACT. AND ON TRACT 2, MULTI-FAMILY 4 NCCD, MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENCE HIGH DENSITY, NEIGHBORHOOD CONSERVATION COMBINING DISTRICT NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN. AND THAT IS APPROXIMATELY 4.286 ACRES OF LAND. THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATION WAS TO RECOMMEND MF-1-NCCD-NP ZONING ON THIS PROPERTY WITH SEVERAL CONDITIONS. AND LET ME WALK THROUGH THESE CONDITIONS. IN THE FIRST SET OF CONDITIONS IT REALLY SPEAKS TO THE PROPERTY IN ITS ENTIRETY, BOPSD TRACTS 1 AND 2. IT WOULD LIMIT THE NUMBER OF VEHICLE TRIPS ON THE PROPERTY TO A MAXIMUM OF 2,000 PER DAY CUMULATIVELY. THAT THERE BE STREET TREES PLANNED ALONG 51st STREET, SIDEWALK FRONTAGE. REQUIRE BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ACCESS FROM 50th STREET TO THE SUBJECT PROPERTY WITH PUBLIC

PEDESTRIAN ACCESS TO EXISTING PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE TO WALLER CREEK, AND TO PROVIDE FOR 43-FEET OF RIGHT-OF-WAY FROM THE EXISTING CENTER LINE BE DEDICATED FOR WEST 51st STREET ACCORDING TO THE TRANSPORTATION PLAN. THEY ALSO WENT ON FOR THE TRACT 1. THIS IS THE EASTERN PORTION OF THE TRACT ADJACENT TO THE HYDE PARK NEIGHBORHOOD. THAT MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL USE SHALL BE PERSONALITIED. IN ADDITION TO THE OTHER USES IN THE NORTH HYDE PARK NCCD RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION THAT THEY PROHIBIT GROUP RESIDENTIAL. AND JUST SO YOU KNOW, GROUP RESIDENTIAL WOULD BE SOMETHING LIKE A FRATERNITY, SORORITY OR BOARDING HOUSE TYPE USE. AND CLUBS AND LODGE USE WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ONE CLUB BUILDING THAT MAY SERVE THE ENTIRE DEVELOPMENT AND IT MAY ONLY BE LOCATE ODD TRACT 2, WHICH IS FURTHER TO THE WEST. SO LIMIT THE NUMBER OF UNITS PER ACRE TO 17 UNITS PER ACRE OR APPROXIMATELY JUST OVER -- WELL, 40 UNITS TOTAL. THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF BEDROOMS FOR THIS TRACT WOULD BE 59 PER ACRE OR A TOTAL OF 140 BEDROOMS. THE SETBACKS FOR THE BUILDINGS ALONG THE EASTERN EDGE OF THE TRACT ABUDGE BUTTING RESIDENTIAL BE AMENDED TO 25 FEET REQUIRED FOR COMPATIBILITY. THE MAXIMUM HEIGHT OF THE BUILDINGS BE LIMITED TO 30 FEET. THE MAXIMUM BUILDING COVERAGE, 40%. THE MAXIMUM IMPERVIOUS COVER 60%. MAXIMUM FLOOR TO AREA RATIO ON THE PROPERTY, NOTING THAT GARAGINGS WILL NOT BE INCLUDED, WOULD BE .75 TO ONE. LANDSCAPING, EXISTING HEALTHY CLASS ONE OR CLASS TWO TREES ACCORDING TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL CRITERIA MANUAL WITHIN THE 25-FOOT SET BACK ALONG THE EASTERN PROPERTY ADJACENT TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD WOULD BE MAINTAINED. VEHICULAR ACCESS BETWEEN TRACTS 1 AND THE HYDE PARK NEIGHBORHOOD THROUGH EAST 50TH STREET OR EAST 49TH STREET IS PROHIBITED, NOTING REMEMBER THE PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE ACTUALLY WOULD BE ALLOWED, BUT THE MOTOR VEHICLE ACCESS WOULD BE PROHIBITED. EXCEPT FOR EMERGENCY ACCESS VEHICLES. UNITS ON TRACT 1 SHALL BE SET BACK TO THE EXISTING HOME THAT FACE ROWENA STREET SO PARKING FOR THE MF 2 DOES NOT DIRECTLY AFFECT THE HOMES THAT BORDER THE EASTERN BOUNDARY LINE OF THE MF-2 FRACT THE UNIT WILL FACE WEST ON THE ORIENTATION. IF TRACT 1 IS UNDEVELOPED -- IF TRACT 1 IS DEVELOPED WITH THE SINGLE-FAMILY USE, THEN THE DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS WHICH MATCH THOSE IN THE NORTH HYDE PARK NCCD RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT WOULD APPLY. ON TRACT 2 AGAIN THIS IS THE LARGER TRACT THAT'S NERVOUS TO THE WEST TOWARDS THE AREA WITH THE EXISTING OPEN PARKING LOT AREA, THE MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENCE USE WOULD BE PERMITTED, IN ADDITION TO THE PERMITTED USE IN THE NORTH HYDE PARK NCCD RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT. AGAIN TO PROHIBIT THE GROUP RESIDENTIAL USES. AND THAT A CLUB AND LODGE USE BE LIMITED TO ONE BUILDING THAT WOULD SERVE THE ENTIRE DEVELOPMENT WHICH MAY BE LOCATE ODD TRACT 2 ONLY. THE NUMBER OF UNITS THAT WOULD BE LIMITED TO 23 UNITS PER ACRE FOR A TOTAL OF 98 UNITS, THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF BEDROOMS BEING 81 FOR A TOTAL OF 347 BEDROOMS. SETBACKS WOULD BE ZERO FROM 51st STREET WOULD BE PERMITTED. THE MAXIMUM HEIGHT MUST MEET COMPATIBILITY STANDARDS WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE MAXIMUM HEIGHT WITHIN THE FIRST 360 FEET FROM THE NORTHERN PROPERTY LINE, WHICH IS THE 51st STREET. MAYBE

UP TO 50 FEET AND A DISTANCE OF 130 FEET FROM THE EASTERN PROPERTY LINE MAY BE 50 FEET IF IT EXCEEDS THE COMPATIBILITY HEIGHT LIMIT. THE MAXIMUM BUILDING COVERAGE IS HIGHER. IT'S 50% MAXIMUM IMPERVIOUS COVER IS STILL HIGHER AS WELL, 70. BUT THE FLOOR TO AREA RATIO OF .75 IS THE SAME AS ON TRACT 1. ACCESS, ALL DRIVEWAYS MUST ENTER AND EXIT OFF OF 51st STREET UNLESS OTHERWISE PROVIDED BY THE CODE AND THE DRIVEWAYS SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED TO THE MINIMUM WITNESSES PROVIDED BY THE CITY OF AUSTIN. VEHICULAR ACCESS BETWEEN TRACT 2 AND THE HIGH PARK NEIGHBORHOOD IS PROHIBITED WITH THE EXCEPTION OF VEHICULAR ACCESS. THE PROPERTY AS I MENTIONED BEFORE IS OWNED BY THE STATE OF TEXAS CURRENTLY. IT IS UNZONED AS MANY TRACTS ARE THAT ARE OWNED BY THE STATE OF TEXAS. THE TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE USE THE PROPERTY FOR SOME OF THEIR TRAINING. IN THE PAST IT'S ALSO BEEN USED FOR VEHICLE STORAGE. AND THEY ALSO STORE OTHER BOATS AND OTHER EQUIPMENT ON THIS PROPERTY IN THE PAST. THE NEIGHBORHOOD, THE HYDE PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION SUPPORTS THE REZONING REQUEST WITH SEVERAL CONDITIONS. I WILL NOTE THAT THEY ARE ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNERS THAT IMMEDIATELY ADJUT THIS TO THE EAST WHICH LIVE IN HYDE PARK, BUT OUR INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY OWNERS ARE OPPOSED TO THIS ZONING CHANGE APPLICATION. I THINK AT THIS POINT I'LL PAUSE AND IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS CASE, I'LL BE HAPPY TO TRY TO ANSWER THEM NOW OR AFTER YOU HEAR TESTIMONY FROM THE PUBLIC.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. GUERNSEY. QUESTIONS FOR STAFF, COUNCIL?

Cole: YES, I HAVE A QUICK QUESTION. YOU READ THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS IN DETAIL. CAN YOU POINT OUT HOW THOSE DIFFER WITH THE STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS? IS IT SIGNIFICANT?

I THINK THE MAJOR DIFFERENCE YOU MIGHT SEE IS THAT STAFF DIDN'T GO INTO THE ISSUES OF THE COMPATIBILITY STANDARDS AS MUCH. THE PLANNING COMMISSION I THINK GAVE MORE LEEWAY TO THOSE TYPES OF ISSUES. THE ACCESS IS ONE THAT I BELIEVE ALSO WAS THE OTHER POINT. I THINK THOSE ARE THE MAIN PARTS. THE DRIVEWAYS, I'M NOT SURE IF WE ACTUALLY SPOKE TO THE WITNESSES OF THOSE, BUT THEY ARE VERY SIMILAR IN ALL RESPECT. I'D SAY COMPATIBILITY IS PROBABLY THE MAIN ISSUE. THE APPLICANT HAD REQUESTED MORE INTENSE ZONING THAN BOTH WHAT THE STAFF RECOMMENDED AND THE COMMISSION RECOMMENDED. THEY HAD -- THE APPLICANT REQUESTED MF-2 AND MF 4 BASE DISTRICT. STAFF RECOMMENDED MF-1 AS WELL AS THE COMMISSION. BUT THERE IS AN AGREEMENT, LIKE I SAID, IN RARS TO THE NUMBER OF UNITS WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, BUT INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY OWNERS THAT ARE NEARBY MAY TO BE THE DENSITY AND INTENSITY OF THE DESIGN THAT ARE PROAND BY THE COMMISSION OF STAFF AND WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION AGREED TO.

Cole: YOU'RE SAYING WE HAVE AN AGREEMENT AS TO WHAT?

THERE IS AN AGREEMENT WITH THE APPLICANT AND THE HYDE PARK NEIGHBORHOOD

ASSOCIATION, BUT THAT'S NOT NECESSARILY REFLECTIVE OF ALL PROPERTY OWNERS THAT LIVE NEXT DOOR TO THIS TRACT.

Cole: IS THERE AN AGREEMENT AS TO THE MF-1?

THERE IS AN AGREEMENT TO THE MF-1 IS MY UNDERSTANDING, YES. THE APPLICANT'S AGENT IS PRESENT AND WILL SPEAK TO THIS. THEY HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT THE PEDESTRIAN AND THE BICYCLING TRAFFIC GOING BALT AND FORTH TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD. THE APPLICANT DISAGREES WITH THAT AND WILL PROBABLY SPECIFY THE REASONS WHY. AND SOME OF THE CONCERNS ARE BROUGHT BY THE NEIGHBORS IN THE ADJOINING NEIGHBORHOOD ABOUT CONCERNS FOR STUDENTS PARKING IN THEIR NEIGHBORHOOD, WALKING ACROSS THEIR PROPERTY TO GET TO THE BUS PARK AND RIDE LOT THAT U.T. OPERATES A LITTLE BIT FURTHER TO THE WEST.

Mayor Wynn: FURTHER QUESTIONS OF STAFF, COUNCIL? COMMENTS? IF NOT, WE'LL HAVE OUR APPLICANT PRESENTATION.

MS. MEADE WILL BE PRESENTING ON BEHALF OF THE APPLICANT.

Mayor Wynn: WE'LL SET THE CLOCK FOR FIVE MINUTES. IT LOOKS LIKE IS JIM BENNETT STILL WITH US? AND RODNEY BENEFIT? HOW ARE YOU? SO YOU WILL HAVE 11 MINUTES FOR YOUR APPLICANT PRESENTATION.

THANK YOU, MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER. MIKAIL MEADE WITH BROWN MCCARROLL, REPRESENTING THE APPLICANT OF THE PROJECT. HOPEFULLY I WON'T NEED THAT TIME. I DIDN'T THINK THE STAFF WAS GOING TO GO INTO ALL THOSE CONDITIONS, BUT THEY DID, WHICH SAVES A LOT OF TIME. THERE'S NO REASON FOR ME TO DO THAT AGAIN. ALL OF THOSE CONDITIONS THAT THE STAFF READ MAKE UP THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DEVELOPER AND THE HYDE PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION. AND AS GREG SAID, THERE ARE REALLY TWO ISSUES. THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDED ACCESS FROM THE PROPERTY TO 50th STREET. THAT WAS NOT PART OF THE AGREEMENT WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD. AND THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION INCLUDED A PATIBILITY WAIVER WHICH THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION DID NOT. REALLY OTHER THAN THAT, THERE REALLY AREN'T ANY OTHER ISSUES OR DIFFERENCES BETWEEN STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS, PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION AND WHAT THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DEVELOPER AND THE NEIGHBORHOOD CALLS FOR. SO WHAT I WILL DO, RATHER THAN GOING BACK THROUGH ALL THOSE TERMS -- IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THEM, WE CAN DISCUSS THEM. BUT RATHER THAN GO THROUGH ALL THOSE TERMS I WOULD LIKE TO DO TWO THING. ONE, WALK YOU THROUGH THE SITE FOR ANYONE WHO HASN'T HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO GO OUT AND LOOK AT IT. TALK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT. AND THEN UPDATE YOU ALL ABOUT WHERE WE HAVE -- WHAT HAS HAPPENED SINCE THE POSTPONEMENT IN OUR DISCUSSIONS WITH THOSE NEIGHBORS IN OPPOSITION. SO I'M GOING TO FORWARD -- THE PROPOSED

DEVELOPMENT, THIS IS THE CONCEPTUAL PLAN. THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT CALLS FOR ABOUT 140 UNITS. THAT'S A NUMBER THAT IS ABSOLUTELY A MAX. WE DON'T KNOW THAT WE'LL BE ABLE TO GET ALL 140 UNITS ON THE SITE, BUT THAT IS A MAX. AND THEY WILL BE ALONG 51st STREET ALONG THE PORTION OF THE PROPERTY CLOSEST SO 51st WILL BE FOUR-STORY APARTMENT MULTI-FAMILY BUILDINGS, BUT THEN ALONG ROWENA STREET THEY WILL BE TOWNHOUSE STYLE DEVELOPMENT. IT WILL BE A COMBINATION OF TOWNHOUSES BACKING UP TO EXISTING RESIDENTIAL TO TRY TO KEEP THE NEIGHBORHOOD FEEL AND THEN AS YOU MOVE FURTHER TOWARDS 51st AND TOWARD THE INTERMURAL FIELDS, THE DEVELOPMENT WILL BE MORE MULTI-FAMILY. AND JUST TO KIND OF GIVE YOU YOUR BEARINGS, WHERE YOU SEE THE -- TOWARDS THE NORTH OF THIS EXHIBIT, WHICH IS ACTUALLY THE WEST OF THE PROPERTY, THAT IS THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS INTERMURAL FIELDS. TOWARD THE EAST OF THE EXHIBIT, WHICH IS ACTUALLY THE NORTH END OF THE PROPERTY, THAT'S 51st STREET AS YOU SEE LABELED THERE. AND THEN WE ARE SURROUNDED AT THE SOUTHERN END OF THE PROPERTY BY THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AS WELL. SO AS GREG SAID, WE ORIGINALLY REQUESTED MF-2 FOR TRACT 1 AND MF-4 IF TRACT 2. THE STAFF RECOMMENDED MF-1 NCCD AND WE AND THE NEIGHBORHOOD ARE FINE WITH THAT. YOU CAN SEE HOW THE TRACTS ARE DIVIDED. I COULDN'T TELL IF THAT WAS ON GREG'D EXHIBIT, BUT TRACT 1 IS THE SMALLER TRACT THAT ABUTS THE NEIGHBORHOOD. TRACT 2 IS WHERE THE MORE INTENSE MULTI-FAMILY WILL BE. I'LL SKIP THROUGH THESE. GREG HAS COVERED ALL THAT. I'LL TALK A LITTLE ABOUT THE PLANNING COMMISSION ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS. I DIDN'T KNOW IF GREG MADE CLEAR THAT WE ARE IN AGREEMENT WITH ALL THOSE CONDITIONS. THE ONE THAT -- THE ONES THAT ARE LISTED THERE, THE ONE THAT IS NOT A PART OF THE AGREEMENT WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD IS THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATION AS I SAID THAT WE ALLOW ACCESS FOR PEDESTRIANS AND BICYCLES AT 50TH STREET. THE NEIGHBORHOOD HAD A PRETTY BIG CONCERN THAT FOLKS WITH PARK ON OUR -- PARK ON THEIR NEIGHBORHOOD STREET TO WALK TO OUR SITE, WHICH IS REALLY THE ONLY REASON WHY THAT ACCESS IN THE AGREEMENT WOULD BE PROHIBITED. SO JUST TO WALK YOU THROUGH THE SITE FOR ANYONE WHO HADN'T HAD A CHANCE TO BE OUT THERE, AS GREG SAID, IT'S PRESENTLY AND HAS BEEN FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS THE TRAINING FACILITY FOR THE TEXAS GAME WARDENS. IT'S DEVELOPED, IT'S NOT A PARK RIGHT NOW. IT'S NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. AND THIS IS WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE. IF YOU'RE STANDING ON ROWENA STREET, WHICH IS DIRECTLY EAST OF THE PROJECT, THIS IS WHAT YOU SEE. THERE ARE OFFICE BUILDINGS OUT THERE AND PARKING LOT AND SOME OBSTACLE COURSE FACILITIES AND THINGS LIKE THAT. THESE ARE A COUPLE MORE VIEWS FROM THAT PERSPECTIVE. IF YOU'RE STANDING ON 51st STREET LOOKING AT THE PROPERTY, THIS IS WHAT YOU SEE. IT DOESN'T LOOK GREAT, ADMITTEDLY. BUT IT IS SORT AFTER STORAGE FOR SOME OF THE EQUIPMENT THAT THE GAME DENS USE IN THEIR TRAINING. A COUPLE MORE SHOTS OF THAT AS WELL. AND THAT IS ACTUALLY ACROSS THE STREET LOOKING WESTBOUND ON 51st AT THE BORDER OF THE PROPERTY. THERE WERE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CREEK THAT IS ADJACENT TO THE PROPERTY, SO I ALSO HAVE SOME PHOTOS OF THAT FOR THOSE WHO ARE INTERESTED. A PORTION OF WALLER CREEK

RUNS TO THE WEST OF THIS PROPERTY. IT'S NOT ON OUR PROPERTY, BUT IT IS ADJACENT, AND IF YOU'RE STANDING ON -- ACROSS 51st STREET LOOKING AT THE -- TOWARD THE PROPERTY, THIS IS WHAT YOU SEE DOWN AT THE BOTTOM OF THE BRIDGE IS THE CREEK. JUST TO KIND OF GIVE YOU AN IDEA MOVING FROM OUR PROPERTY TOWARD THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS ARCHERY FIELDS. AND WE'VE GOTTEN ACTUALLY A MIXED REACTION FROM NEIGHBORS ABOUT WHAT ABOUT THE CREEK? WE'D BE HAPPY TO MAKE IMPROVEMENTS TO IT. WE ALSO HAVE NEIGHBORS WHO SAY DON'T DO ANYTHING TO IT BECAUSE YOU'LL DISTURB WILDLIFE AND OTHER THINGS THERE. SO WE STAND READY TO DO WHATEVER WE COULD DO TO HELP IMPROVE THE CREEK, BUT WE'RE NOT. WE HAVE NO INTENTION OF DOING ANYTHING TO IT AT THIS TIME. I WANTED TO UPDATE YOU ALL ABOUT WHERE WE HAVE ENDED UP AFTER OUR DISCUSSIONS FOLLOWING THE POSTPONEMENT TWO WEEKS AGO. AS YOU ALL KNOW, AS GREG SAID AS WELL, THERE ARE SEVERAL NEIGHBORS IN OPPOSITION. THEY ARE PART OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, BUT THEY DO NOT AGREE WITH THE VOTE THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION TOOK. AND SO I WANTED TO WALK YOU ALL THROUGH HOW WE GOT THERE. THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND THE DEVELOPER AND THE STATE HAVE BEEN MEETING SINCE AUGUST OF '07. THEY NEGOTIATED THROUGH SEVERAL MEETINGS DURING THAT TIME. KAREN MCGRAW, WHO IS THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT, WAS PRETTY DILIGENT ABOUT MAKING SURE EVERYBODY GOT NOTICES OF MEETINGS. AND HAVE NOT ENCOUNTERED ANYBODY YET WHO HAVE SAID THEY WERE NOT A PARTICIPANT IN THOSE MEETINGS OR INVITED TO BE A PARTICIPANT IN THOSE MEETINGS. BUT IT WAS ALL INCLUSIVE. AND I THINK HYDE PARK IS A NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION THAT ACTUALLY DOES A VERY GOOD JOB OF THAT. THE ASSOCIATION TOOK A VOTE IN 2008 AND AS KAREN MCGRAW CHARACTERIZES IT, A LARGE MAJORITY VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE AGREEMENT. MANY OF THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE HAVE ENCOUNTERED IN OPPOSITION WERE AT THAT MEETING, SOME OF WHICH VOTE UNDERSTAND FAVOR OF THE AGREEMENT, BUT REALLY WOULD PREFER TO HAVE THE PROPERTY BE A PARK. SINCE THE POSTPONEMENT, WE HELD MEETINGS EVERYDAY LAST WEEK, THE 14TH THROUGH THE 20TH, TO GIVE EVERYBODY WHO HAD CONCERNS AN OPPORTUNITY TO COME TELL US WHAT THE CONCERNS WERE. WE ACTUALLY HAD A TOTAL OF SEVEN PEOPLE IN OPPOSITION ATTEND OUT OF THE ENTIRE SEVEN DAYS THAT WE MET. IT WAS NOT A LARGE GROUP OF PEOPLE IN OPPOSITION. THEY -- THE CONCERNS WERE CONCERNS THAT WE HAD HEARD BEFORE. BASICALLY THIS SUMMARIZES THEN THAT THE PROPERTY SHOULD REMAIN UNDEVELOPED. THAT IT SHOULD BE A PARK THAT. THEY DIDN'T WANT RENTERS. THAT THEY WANTED SINGLE-FAMILY INSTEAD. THAT WE WOULD CAUSE THE PROPERTY TO FLOOD. THAT WE WOULD CAUSE DAMAGE TO THE CREEK. AND THAT THEY WOULD PREFER TO HAVE OPEN SPACE BEHIND THEIR EXISTING SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES. MOST OF THESE CONCERNS WERE CONCERNS THAT WE REALLY COULDN'T DO MUCH ABOUT BECAUSE THE PROPERTY IS UNDER CONTRACT. IT'S NOT GOING TO BE A PARK. AND QUITE HONESTLY I'M NOT SURE THE CITY WOULD TAKE ON THE RESPONSIBILITY OF HAVING A PARK THERE ANYWAY. AND WE ACTUALLY BELIEVE SINGLE-FAMILY IS NOT DENSE ENOUGH FOR THIS SITE. I THINK THAT THE NEIGHBORHOOD ACCOMODATES A MORE DENSE DEVELOPMENT VERY WELL. AND THEN OUR ENGINEER IS HERE TO ADDRESS

FLOODING, DAMAGE TO THE CREEK, ETCETERA, BUT WE WERE CLEAR WITH THE NEIGHBORS AND GAVE THE NEIGHBORS INFORMATION THAT WE CANNOT AND WILL NOT DO ANYTHING TO INCREASE FLOODING OR CAUSE ANY DANG TO THE CREEK. IN THAT PROCESS, AS I SAID, WE WERE TRYING TO FIND WAYS TO ADDRESS THE CONCERNS THAT WE DID HEAR. THE CONCERN ABOUT PREEM FROM OUR OWNERS PARKING ON THE ADJACENT NEIGHBORS' STREETS AND WALKING OVER, WE OFFERED TO ADDRESS BY HELPING THE NEIGHBORHOOD IMPLEMENT RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING AND PAYING FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THAT AND PAYING FOR THE PERMITS FOR THE FIRST TWO YEARS. WE HAVE NOT HEARD AN OVERWHELMING RESPONSE ABOUT WHETHER THE NEIGHBORHOOD WANTS THAT OR DOESN'T WANT THAT. SOME PEOPLE WANTED IT AND SOME PEOPLE DIDN'T. WE ALSO OFFERED TO CONSTRUCT A FENCE BEHIND ALL OF THE PROPERTIES ALONG ROWENA STREET, AS WELL AS A LANDSCAPE BUFFER BETWEEN OUR PROPERTY AND THEIR PROPERTY, AND THE NEIGHBORS EVEN WANTED AN EIGHT FOOT OR HIGHER FENCE, AND WE AGREED TO DO THAT IF THEY CAME TO US AND PETITIONED US TO DO THAT. AND WE HAVE NOT GOTTEN ANY RESPONSE BACK THAT WE -- THEY WANT US TO GO FORWARD WITH THAT, BUT WE'RE WILLING TO. AND THEN FINALLY, WE OFFERED TO LEAVE THE EXISTING VEGETATION BEHIND THOSE HOMES ALONG ROWENA IN PLACE FOR AN ADDITIONAL BUFFER. SOME OF IT IS GOAG INTO SOME FENCES ON THE PROPERTY AND WE AGREED TO LEAVE THOSE IN PLACE. I THINK WE HAVE A SITUATION WHERE THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION DID THE BEST THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION COULD REALLY DO, WHICH WAS INVITING EVERYBODY TO PARTICIPATE, CALLING SEVERAL MEETINGS SO THAT EVERYBODY HAD AN OPPORTUNITY. AND I THINK AS IS ALL THE CASE IN ANY PROCESS LIKE THIS, YOU'RE ALWAYS GOING TO HAVE PEOPLE WHO DISAGREE. AND THERE IS A REPRESENTATIVE -- KAREN MCGRAW IS NOT HEREHERE TONIGHT. I THINK SHE SENT YOU AN E-MAIL, BUT THERE IS A REPRESENTATIVE HERE FROM HYDE PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION IF YOU WANT TO SPEAK TO THEM ABOUT HOW THE PROCESS WENT ALONG. BUT WE DO THINK WE'RE TRYING TO ADDRESS THE CONCERNS OF THOSE FOLKS ALONG ROWENA. SO I'M AVAILABLE TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS THAT YOU GUYS MAY HAVE. I KNOW IT'S A LITTLE BIT WEIRD AND IMPLICIT COMPLICATED.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. QUESTIONS FOR THE APPLICANT?

Cole: I'M STILL DEALING WITH THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION AND THE STAFF RESMGHTS I UNDERSTAND THE PLANNING COMMISSION MADE MORE DISCUSSION ABOUT COMPATIBILITY. WHAT THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN YOU NAINTDZ? DOES IT CLOSELY FOLLOW THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION?

IT ACTUALLY MORE CLOSELY FOLLOWS THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION. THE ONLY DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE NEIGHBORHOOD AGREEMENT AND THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION IS THAT PLANNING COMMISSION WANTED ACCESS AT 50TH STREET TO THE PROJECT. THE AGREEMENT CALLS FOR THAT ACCESS TO BE CLOSED. THAT'S THE ONLY DIFFERENCE. SO IT ACTUALLY MORE CLOSELY FOLLOWS THE PLANNING

COMMISSION.

THANK YOU.

> FURTHER COMMENTS? COUNCILMEMBER LEFFINGWELL.

SO YOU SAID YOU WERE GOING TO LEAVE THE FENCE AND EXISTING VEGETATION ALONG ROWENA. THAT'S THE CHAIN-LINK FENCE YOU SHOWED US A PICTURE OF?

THAT'S RIGHT.

Leffingwell: AND I NEED TO GET A LITTLE MORE CLARITY ON THIS 50TH STREET ACCESS ISSUE. IS THAT IN THE -- THAT'S IN THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION, BUT IS IT IN THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION AND THE APPLICANT?

NO, IT IS NOT A PART OF THE AGREEMENT. IN FACT, THE AGREEMENT CALLS FOR THE OPPOSITE. IT CALLS FOR THAT ACCESS TO BE CLOSED. TWO STREETS STUB OUT TO THE PROPERTY, 49TH STREET AND 50TH. PRESENTLY THE TEXAS WILDLIFE -- PARKS AND WILDLIFE ACCESSES THEIR PROPERTY AT THAT ACCESS AT 50TH STREET. AND I'LL GO BACK TO -- SO THE AGREEMENT WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD WAS THAT WE WOULD BLOCK AND GATE THAT ACCESS AT 50th SO THAT IT WAS NO LONGER USABLE. PLANNING COMMISSION WANTED THAT OPENED UP.

Leffingwell: IS THERE ANY OTHER DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE AGREEMENT --

THERE'S NO OTHER DIFFERENCE.

Leffingwell: THAT'S THE ONLY ONE?

THE ONLY ONE.

Leffingwell: I'M NOT SURE I UNDERSTAND COMPATIBILITY. IT DOESN'T SEEM LIKE THERE SHOULD BE A COMPATIBILITY ISSUE WITH MF-1 NEXT TO SINGLE-FAMILY. WHAT WOULD THAT BE?

THE MF-1 -- WHAT ACTUALLY SETS THE SITE DEVELOPMENT REGULATION FOR THIS PROPERTY IS THE NCCD PART OF THE BASE ZONING, THE NCCD OVERLAY. AND IN THE NCCD OVERLAY THERE IS A MAXIMUM HEIGHT ON TRACT 2 OF 50 FEET. THAT MAXIMUM HEIGHT OF TRACT 2 ON 50 FEET AND THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECTD ACTUALLY SPECIFIES DISTANCES WHERE WE CAN HAVE THAT 50 FEET WILL CAUSE US TO ACTUALLY EXCEED COMPATIBILITY BY ABOUT FOUR FEET ON ONE BUILDING.

Leffingwell: WHAT IS THE HEIGHT OF MF-1?

M FMENT HN ONE WOULD BE 40 FEET.

OKAY. SO A LITTLE BIT OVER THE --

RIGHT. AND ACTUALLY, COUNCILMEMBER,, THE PART OF THE PROPERTY -- I WISH I COULD BRING THE SITE PLAN BACK UP. THE PART OF THE PROPERTY ALONG ROWENA IS -- I WON'T TRY TO GO BACK TO IT. THOSE WILL BE RESTRICTED ON TRACT 1, ALL OF TRACT 1 TO 30 FEET. SO EVEN -- ALTHOUGH MF 1 WOULD ALLOW 40 FEET NORMALLY, THAT TRACT WILL NOT HAVE ANY COMPATIBILITY WAIVER, SO WE'LL BE MAXED OUT AT A HEIGHT OF 30 FEET.

Mayor Wynn: FURTHER QUESTIONS OF THE AGENT? COMMENTS? COUNCILMEMBER KIM.

Kim: THE IDEA ABOUT CONNECTING IT TO THE INTERMURAL FIELDS EVENTUALLY, WHAT KIND OF INVESTMENT WOULD THAT REQUIRE? IF THIS WAS REQUIRING -- IF THIS ACCESS ON THE STREET WOULD BE TO GET TO THE FIELDS, WHAT KIND OF -- DOES ANYONE HAVE AN IDEA WHAT KIND OF PROJECT THAT WOULD COST THE UNIVERSITY? IT'S NOT PART OF THEIR BUDGET AT ALL, IS IT?

THERE'S A REPRESENTATIVE HERE FROM THE STATE, BUT HE DOES NOT ACTUALLY REPRESENT THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SYSTEM. BUT WE LOOKED -- I WISH I HAD MY PICTURES AGAIN. BUT THE REASON THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDED THE ACCESS AT 50TH WAS EXPRESSLY BECAUSE THEY BELIEVED YOU COULD ACCESS THROUGH OUR PROPERTY TO THE FIELDS. AND THEY WANT IT TO BE ABLE TO PROVIDE THAT CONNECTIVITY. IN FACT, THE INTERMURAL FIELDS ARE COMPLETELY FENCED ALONG OUR PROPERTY LINE. THERE IS NO ACCESS POINTS. I AM DOUBTFUL THAT THAT WILL EVER HAPPEN. AND SO THEY BELIEVE THERE'S A BRIDGE WHICH I'VE GOT A PHOTO OF IF WE CAN BRING THOSE UP. THERE'S A BRIDGE THAT IS MUCH FURTHER TO THE SOUTH. THAT THEY BELIEVE MIGHT BE ON OUR PROPERTY. AND WE ALL HAD TO GO OUT AND DO A SITE VISIT AND FIGURE OUT IF IT'S ACTUALLY THERE. IT'S NOT. IT'S ACTUALLY IN FACT ON THE ARCHERY FIELDS, WHICH ARE OWNED COMPLETELY BY THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS. SO THERE ISN'T ANY WAY TO GET FROM OUR PROPERTY AT ANY PART OVER TO THE INTERMURAL FIELDS UNLESS YOU GO BACK UP TO 51st STREET AND GO ALL THE WAY AROUND.

Kim: I WOULD THINK THE UNIVERSITY WOULD WANT TO KEEP THE FENCE THERE JUST FOR LIABILITY AND JUST SINCE THERE ARE SPORTS ON THE FIELD --

STUDENTS, BALL, YEAH.

Kim: IT DOESN'T SEEM PRACTICAL.

THEY'VE NOT EXPRESSED ANY INTEREST IN ALLOWING THAT ACCESS. NOW, IF YOU ARE AT ABOUT 45TH STREET, YOU CAN GO THROUGH WHAT PROBABLY IS PRIVATE PROPERTY ON HONESTLY AND THERE'S A LITTLE WALKWAY WHERE YOU CAN GET OVER TO THE INTERMURAL FIELDS, JUST ANYBODY. BUT TECHNICALLY YOU HAVE TO HAVE A UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS ID TO BE ABLE TO GET ON TO THOSE FIELDS.

Kim: THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: FURTHER QUESTIONS OF THE AGENT? COMMENTS? IF NOT, WE JUST HAVE ONE PERSON -- SO NOW WE HEAR FROM FOLKS IN FAVOR AND THEN WE HEAR FROM THE FOLKS IN OPPOSITION. THE ONE PERSON IN FAVOR HERE TO SPEAK WAS DAVID CONNOR. WELCOME, MR. CONNOR. YOU WILL HAVE THREE MINUTES. TO BE FOLLOWED BY ALLISON DAVEY.

GOOD EVENING, MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL. MY NAME IS DAVID CONNOR. I'M A MEMBER OF THE HYDE PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION. I'M ALSO A MEMBER OF THE HYDE PARK DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE. I LIVE ON DUVAL STREET NORTH OF 45S. DUVAL STREET IS A DIRECT SHOT TO U.T. AND ANY DEVELOPMENT OF THIS MAGNITUDE WILL INCREASE THE TRAFFIC ON DUVAL, HOWEVER I GENERALLY SUPPORT THE ITEM BEFORE YOU. TO GIVE YOU A BRIEF HISTORY OF WHAT IS BEFORE YOU NOW, THE APPLICANT CONTACTED THE PRESIDENT OF HYDE PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, WHICH IS ALIGN (INDISCERNIBLE), NOT KAREN MCGRAW. AND THEY INDICATED THEY WOULD LIKE TO VISIT WITH A DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE OF HYDE PARK. WE MET WITH CIS TO DETERMINE WHAT THEIR INTENTIONS WERE LAST YEAR. NOTHING WAS AGREED ON AT THAT MEETING. ALL WE KNEW IS THAT THEY THEY WANTED TO BUY THE LAND AND DEVELOP SOMETHING. LATER ON CIS DEVELOPED A CONCEPTUAL DESIGN AND THEN WE HAD NUMEROUS MEETINGS WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION AND NEIGHBORS AND CIS. HYDE PARK AND NORTH HYDE PARK IS FORTUNATE TO BE A NEIGHBORHOOD CONSERVATION COMBINING DISTRICT OR NCCD, WHICH ALLOWS A NEIGHBORHOOD TO CRAFT RESTRICTIONS, SETBACKS AND DENSITY LIMITATIONS IN A ZONING ORDINANCE WHEN NECESSARY. SINCE THIS LAND IS NOT ZONED, THIS DEVELOPER OR ANY OTHER DEVELOPER DID NOT HAVE TO BE PART OF THE NCCD. AND THEY COULD REQUEST THAT THE HIGHER DENSITY IN HEIGHT WITH OR WITHOUT INPUT FROM THE NEIGHBORHOOD. WE FELT THE NEIGHBORHOOD FELT, THAT IT WILL BE IN OUR BEST INTEREST TO INCLUDE THEM IN OUR NCCD. AND THEY ALSO AGREED. THE HYDE PARK PLANNING TEAM CONSISTS OF KAREN MCGRAW AND OTHERS CRAFTED THE ORDINANCE BEFORE YOU BASED ON NEGOTIATIONS AND INPUT FROM THE NEIGHBORS AND THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION. THE ORDINANCE WAS SENT OUT FOR REVIEW AND COMMENTS OVER THE COURSE OF A COUPLE OF MONTHS. THE FINAL ORDINANCE IS WHAT IS BEFORE YOU NOW. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, I'LL BE AVAILABLE TO ASK.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU. QUESTIONS, COUNCIL? COMMENTS? THANK YOU, SIR. SO NOW WE'LL GO TO FOLKS WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO GIVE US OPPOSITION. I THOUGHT WE WERE

TRYING TO TAKE ELIZABETH FIRST, BUT SHE MAY HAVE HAD TO LEAVE. WE'LL NOTE OTHER OPPOSITION FOR THE ORDER. IS ALLISON ZABEY HERE? AM I PRONOUNCING THAT CORRECT? WELCOME. YOU WILL HAVE THREE MINUTES TO BE FOLLOWED BY MANUAL ZABEY.

AND I HAVE SOME PICTURES TO SHOW YOU TOO. I'LL GO OVER THAT.

Mayor Wynn: IF YOU COULD HAND THEM OVER TO --

MR. MAYOR AND CITY COUNCILMEMBERS, MY NAME IS ALLISON ZABEY. I AM CO-OWNER AND RESIDENT OF THE HOME AT 5012 ROWENA AVENUE, TWO HOUSES SOUTH OF 51st. OVER THE LAST THREE WEEKS I'VE HAD THE PLEASURE OF HELPING A GROUP OF NEIGHBORS CIRCULATE A PETITION AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOOD. THE REASON WE GOT THE POSTPONEMENT A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO IS BECAUSE YOU GUYS WERE GOING TO CERTIFY THE PETITION, BUT I HAVEN'T HEARD ABOUT THAT TONIGHT. IN MY EXPERIENCE I FOUND THAT EVERY AFFECTED NEIGHBOR BORDERING THE PROPERTY OR ON THE BLOCK NEXT TO IT WAS HIGHLY CONCERNED ABOUT THE PROPOSED CIS DEVELOPMENT AND WERE EXCITED OR ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT SIGNING THE PETITION AGAINST IT. OVER 100 SIGNATURES RN COLLECTED AND A MAJORITY WERE RESIDENTS WITHIN 200 FEET OF THE TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE PROPERTY. DURING THE PETITIONS, I REPEATEDLY HEARD THE CONCERNS, TRAFFIC INCREASE, PARKING, FLOODING AND THEY DIDN'T WANT PEDESTRIAN ACCESS AT 50TH STREET. A MAJORITY OF THE NEIGHBORS PREFERRED THAT THE LAND BE TURNED INTO A CITY PARK. THERE ARE NO PARKS NEAR THE AREA, THERE ARE NO PARKS NORTH OF 51st. WE REQUEST THAT -- ALSO, IF YOU GO TO THE PICTURE. SINCE THE NEIGHBORS WERE REPEATEDLY INFORMED THAT THIS WAS A REZONING ISSUE RATHER THAN A ZONING CASE, WE FEEL THAT REZONING RULES SHOULD APPLY AND THE PETITIONS REQUIRE A THREE-QUARTER VOTE OF THE COUNCIL. IN ADDITION, I HAVE A FEW PICTURES TO SHOW YOU. LET'S KEEP FLIPPING. ON THE FRONT PART OF THOSE TWO PAGES WERE THE REZONING NOTIFICATION. BUT THESE ARE PICTURES OF THE PROPERTY AS WE SEE THEM FROM ROWENA. IT IS NOT ACTUALLY AN EYESORE ISSUE AS SHOWN YOU IN THE PREVIOUS PIKS. THOSE WERE THE LESS PLEASANT VIEWS OF THE PROPERTY. HERE IS THE GRASSY GREEN FIELD BEHIND MY HOUSE. MY HOUSE IS THE TOP AND THE LEFT. THIS IS HOW FLAT THE PROPERTY IS TBARS THE NORTH SIDE AND IT SHOWS THE 50 FEET HEIGHT OF THE BUILDING BEHIND US WOULD INDEED BE 50 FEET AND NOT ANY LOWER AS SOME OF THE PICTURES HAVE SUGGESTED. MANY ROWENA'S HOMES DO NOT HAVE FIXED VEGETATIVE BUFFERS, SO WE'LL LOSE ALL THE PRIVACY OF OUR BACKYARDS. HERE'S MY BACKYARD VIEW. YOU GET A DIRECT VIEW OF GRASSY FIELDS, WHICH WILL SOON BE A HIGH APARTMENT BUILDING. ACCESS TO THE FEELS IS LIMITED TO STUDENTS WITH STUDENT ID, SO ACCESSIBILITY WOULD BE UNNECESSARY BECAUSE YOU CANNOT ACCESS WITHOUT A UT ID. NEIGHBORS COULDN'T RUN AROUND THE FIELD, WHICH IS WHAT I THINK THE PLANNING COMMISSION INTENDED. THANK YOU.

IS MARY MILAM HERE?

[INAUDIBLE - NO MIC].

MANUAL, HAVE YOU UP TO SIX MINUTES IF YOU NEED IT. YOU WILL BE FOLLOWED BY ERIC MILLS.

GOOD EVENING. MY WIFE AND I CO-OWN TWO HOMES WITH OUR CHILDREN IN THE 5,000 BLOCK OF ROWENA ALONG THE EASTERN BORDER OF THE TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE PROPERTY. THE ONE AT 5012 ROWENA BACKS RIGHT UP TO THE PROPERTY AND THE ONE AT 5001 ROWENA THAT WE CO-OWN WITH MY SON FACES THE 50TH STREET ENTRANCE THAT WE'VE ALREADY DISCUSSED. I WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS THE TRANSPORTATION AND PARKING ISSUES RELATIVE TO THE PROPOSAL BEING HEARD TODAY. AND IF YOU WOULD FLASH THE FIRST. THE SCREEN BEFORE YOU IN THE HIGHLIGHTED AREA SHOWS YOU 51st STREET ON THE RIGHT OR THE EAST IS I-35 ALL THE WAY TO THE DEAD END AT LAMAR ON THE WEST. ON THE WEST SIDE OF THE INTERMURAL FIELDS. I THINK YOU CAN SEE THAT. AND RIGHT IN BETWEEN YOU CAN SEE THE NARROW SHOE BOX PROPERTY THAT IS THE TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE PROPERTY AND DIRECTLY ACROSS THE STREET AT 51st STREET FROM IT IS THE AUSTIN STATE HOSPITAL CEMETERY. BISECTING IT OF COURSE IS 51st. AS YOU CAN SEE, 51st IS A TWO-LANE STREET AND ONLY 30 FEET WIDE. IT CONNECTS I-35 TO THE EAST, ACTUALLY, 183 AND I-35 AND IT IS AT LAMAR WEST OF THE U.T. INTERMURAL FIELDS. WE MAINTAIN THAT 51st IS MISCLASSIFIED AS A MINOR ARTERIAL ALONG THIS STRETCH OF THE ROAD. I WOULD MAKE THE FOLLOWING POINTS. THIS STRETCH OF 51st CURRENTLY CARRIES A MUCH LARGER TRAFFIC LOAD THAN WAS DESIGNED FOR A SIGNIFICANTLY LARGER LOAD THAN SEVEN YEARS AGO WHEN WE PURCHASED OUR ORIGINAL ROWENA PROPERTY. THIS IS FROM OUR OWN OBSERVATION AND OUR NEIGHBORS'. FROM MY CONVERSATION WITH THE CITY TRANSPORTATION OFFICE, THERE HAS BEEN NO OFFICIAL TRAFFIC IMPACT ASSESSMENT IN RECENT HISTORY. OUR NEIGHBORS SECONDLY STATE THAT 51st STREET EXISTS OFF OF -- NEIGHBORS SPECULATE THAT 51st STREET EXISTS OFF OF I-35 ARE A BASIC CONTRIBUTOR TO THE HEAVIER LOAD. THERE ARE MANY STATE OFFICES ALONG LAMAR AND GUADALUPE THAT CONNECT TO 35 AND MANY COMMUTERS EXIT 51st TO CONNECT LAMAR AND GUADALUPE AND THEN CONTINUE THE PATH OF THE CITY CENTER DURING HEAVY TRAFFIC CONDITIONS. THIS IS A MUCH HIGHER TRAFFIC LOAD THAN 51st -- ON 51st THAN IT WAS DESIGNED TO SUPPORT. CONSEQUENTLY WHEN 51st CROSSES THROUGH NORTHERN HYDE PARK, THE AREA WE'RE TALKING ABOUT, AND BE COMBINES WITH THE NORTHERN TRAFFIC, IT CREATES UNINTENDED AND SOMETIME HAZARDOUS CONDITIONS. FOR INSTANCE, TURNING LEFT OR RIDE FROM ROWENA ON TO 51st, THERE IS A MAJOR BLIND CURVE IMMEDIATELY TO THE LEFT OF THE INTERSECTION AND SPEEDERS ON THE TWO LANE STRETCH IN BOTH CONNECTIONS HAVE TO BE CONTENTED WITH. WHAT SHOULD BE A SIMPLE PROCEDURE IS A VERY RISKY MANEUVER. THE ENTRANCE TO ROWENA FROM 51st IS VERY TRICKY BECAUSE IT IS SO NARROW. IT IS ALSO 30 FEET WIDE, BUT PARKING IS ALLOWED ON BOTH SIDES. SO IT IS NARROW AND USUALLY CLOGGED WITH CARS. SO THE SIMPLE PROCEDURE

OF TURNING INTO THE NEIGHBORHOOD VIA 51st CAN BE VERY DANGEROUS. THE PROPOSAL BEFORE YOU TODAY HAS UNDERGONE NO TRAFFIC IMPACT STUDY BECAUSE THE FORMULA ALLOWS UP TO 2,000 TRIPS PER DAY IN AND OUT OF THE COLLECTION. AND BY FORMULA 140 UNITS WITH 500 BEDROOMS, 500 BEDROOMS WOULD COME UNDER THAT NUMBER. THE 2,000 TRIP NUMBER THEN BECOMES AN ARBITRARY NUMBER BECAUSE THERE IS NO BASELINE KNOWLEDGE OF THE CURRENT AND HEAVY VEHICLE COUNT BEING CARRIED BY 51st. WITH NO TIA REQUIRED, THE ENTIRE NEIGHBORHOOD IS PENALIZED FROM THE ADDITIONAL LOAD THESE NARROW STREETS WERE NOT DESIGNED TO CARRY. WE WILL ALL PAY THE PRICE IF THIS DEVELOPMENT IS ALLOWED WITH ZERO TRAFFIC INFORMATION. A TRAFFIC IMPACT ANALYSIS MUST BE CARRIED OUT. MY NEXT POINT HAS TO DO WITH THE PARKING ALONG ROWENA. EVEN THOUGH THE ENTRANCE TO THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT IS BLOCKED TO ALL BUT EMERGENCY VEHICLES IN THE PROPOSAL, THE FACT THAT THERE WILL BE PEDESTRIAN ENTRANCE TO THE PROPERTY COMBINED WITH THE LACK OF GUEST PARKING ON THEIR PROPERTY MEANS BY DEFINITION THAT OVERFLOW RESIDENT AND GUEST PARKING WILL ALREADY -- WILL ADD TO THE ALREADY WHOAFUL PARKING WNS ON ROWENA. THE DEVELOPER KNOWS THEY DO NOT HAVE ENOUGH SPACE AS PLANNED AS THIS BECOMES EXACERBATED WHEN THE CONDOMINIUMS TURN TO RENTAL PROPERTY IN SIX MONTHS AFTER COMPLETION AND THE DENSITY EXPLODES. FINALLY -- IF YOU WOULD POST THAT OTHER. THIS IS ONE OF THE -- THIS IS A FEMA MAP AND THIS IS NOT A MAP THAT THE ATTORNEY FOR THE DEVELOPER HAS SHOWN YOU. BUT A GOOD PORTION OF THAT PROPERTY AS YOU SEE FROM THE FEMA MAP IS UNDERWATER AND FLOOD CONDITIONS. WE'LL TALK ABOUT THIS MORE IN A LITTLE BIT. BUT I WANT THAT TO BE IMPRINT ODD YOUR MINDS WHILE I TALK ABOUT A CONVERSATION I HAD THIS WEEK WITH DOROTHY RICHTER. MANY OF YOU MAY KNOW DOROTHY RICHTER IS THE FOUNDER OF THE HYDE PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION. AND SHE REGRETTED THAT SHECTD NOT BE HERE THIS EVENING, BUT SHE ASKED THAT I SHARE WITH YOU IN THE VOTING MEETING OF THE HPNA WHEN THE ASSOCIATION PASSED THE PROPOSAL IN FAVOR OF MULTI-FAMILY DEVELOPMENT, MS. RICHTER HER SELF ASKED THAT ALL PRESENT ABSTAIN. IF THEY WERE NOT WITHIN 300 FEET OF THE PROPERTY. SHE PERSONALLY ABSTAINED THAT NIGHT AND ASKED ME TO SHARE THIS WITH YOU. AND HER CLOSING WORDS TO ME YESTERDAY WHEN I SPOKE WITH HER WAS, THIS WOULD BE A BEAUTIFUL PROPERTY FOR PARK. [BUZZER SOUNDS] I'LL LEAVE IT AT THAT.

Mayor Wynn: THANK YOU, MR. DAVEY. OUR NEXT SPEAKER IS ERIC MILLS. WELCOME. FOLKS WANTED TO DONATE TIME TO YOU, ERIC. IS JOAN RIVERS IN THE ROOM? HELLO, JOAN. AND HOW ABOUT PEGGY DUDLEY? SO YOU WILL HAVE UP TO NINE MINUTE IF YOU NEED IT. WELCOME.

SHOULD I NOT USE MY TIME, I WOULD LIKE TO GIVE SOME OF IT BACK TO PEGGY IF POSSIBLE. MY NAME IS ERIC MILLS. I'VE BEEN A RESIDENT WITHIN 300 FEET OF THE 50TH STREET ENTRANCE OF THIS PROPERTY FOR 10 YEARS. I'M A NATIVE AUSTINITE. I AM -- THOUGH I'VE LIVED THERE FOR 10 YEARS, I AM NOT A MEMBER OF THE HYDE PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION. AND THUS WAS NOT A PART OF THE VOTE. AND MANY OF

US DESPITE BEING IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD ARE NOT MEMBERS OF THAT ASSOCIATION. UNDER THE HEADING BASIS FOR RECOMMENDATION, IT IS STATED, NUMBER ONE, ZONING CHANGES SHOULD PROMOTE COMPATIBILITY WITH ADJACENT AND NEARBY USES AND SHOULD NOT RESULT IN DETRIMENTAL IMPACTS TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD CHARACTER. THAT SAID, I HAVE SERIOUS CONCERNS REGARDING THE PROPOSED PROJECT BEING SUBMITTED BY CIS AND THE ZONING REQUIRED FOR IT. THOUGH MY PROPERTY IS NOT IMMEDIATELY ADJACENT TO THIS TRACT, IT IS WITHIN 300 FEET AND MY FAMILY'S QUALITY OF LIFE WILL BE DIRECTLY IMPACTED BY ITS DEVELOPMENT. CURRENTLY THE IMPACT OF TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE'S USE OF THE LAND ON THE SURROUNDING NEIGHBORHOOD IS PRACTICALLY NONEXISTENT. THE EFFECT THAT MANY IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD ARE SURPRISED AND FIRST TOLD THAT THE GAME WARDEN ACADEMY EVEN EXISTS ON THE SITE. THE COMINGS AND GOINGS OF THOSE WORKING AT AND VISITING THE PROPERTY ARE ALL BUT INVISIBLE TO THOSE OF US IN CURRENT PROXIMITY TO THOSE OF US IN THE SITE OF THE PROPERTY ON 50TH STREET AT ROWENA. IMPACT IS NEGLIGIBLE AND OFF SITE PREMISES PARKING IS NIL. SHOULD THE PROPOSED MULTI-FAMILY ZONING REQUESTED BY CIS BE GRANTED, THE IMPACT ON THE NEIGHBORHOOD BOTH ADJACENT TO THE PROPERTY AND WITHIN A QUARTER MILE OR GREATER RADIANCE WILL BE DIRECT AND NEGATIVE. ACCORDING TO THE CURRENT SITE PLAN, TWO MAIN ENTRANCES ARE PROPOSED FOR THIS DEVELOPMENT WHERE THE PROPERTY ABUTS 51st STREET. ALREADY TRAFFIC ON 51st STREET WHICH LINKS LAMAR BOULEVARD TO THE WEST AND THE NEW MUELLER DEVELOPMENT AND BEYOND TO 183 TO THE EAST IS NOTICEABLY MORE CONGESTED SINCE THE MUELLER DEVELOPMENT WAS BEGUN AND WE ALL KNOW THE VEHICLE TRIPS PER DAY ASSOCIATED WITH THE CURRENTLY UNFINISHED MUELLER SITE ARE FAR FROM REACHING THEIR PEAK. THE CURRENTLY INCREASING VOLUME OF TRAFFIC ON 51st COMBINED WITH THE NARROWNESS OF THE ROAD IN OUR AREA, TWO LANES, BIKE LANE, AND A HIGH SPEED BLIND CURVE CAN ONLY MAKE THE DANGER ASSOCIATED WITH ENTERING AND EXISTING 51st STREET FROM ROWENA, AVENUE F AND ANY NEW DEVELOPMENT IN THIS LOCATION RISE AND MAY DO SO DRAMATICALLY. WE'VE BEEN TOLD THAT BECAUSE THE CIS PROJECT IS NOT EXPECTED TO CONTRIBUTE AT LEAST 2,000 CAR TRIPS PER DAY, A TRAFFIC STUDY IS NOT AVAILABLE HERE. I WOULD PERSONALLY LIKE TO SEE WHAT YOU THINK AFTER TRYING YOURSELVES TO ENTER 51st STREET FROM ROWENA AT 5:00 THROU IN THE WHAFN THE STATE OFFICES AT LAMAR HAVE STARTED EMPTYING AND DRIVERS ARE ABANDONING INTERSTATE 35 WITH HOPES OF FINDING A SMOOTHER COMMUTE ON LAMAR OR MOPAC. ADD TO THIS MIX THE WESTBOUND RESIDENTS OF THE PROPOSED CIS DEVELOPMENT ATTEMPTING TO EITHER TURN LEFT INTO THEIR COMPLEX WITHOUT THE BENEFIT OF A DEDICATED TURN LANE OR TO TURN LEFT OUT OF THE COMPLEX TO ACCESS LAMAR WITH THE BLIND CURVE TO THEIR RIGHT. SHALL WE ASSUME THAT WITH 140 PROPOSED UNITS AND 487 BEDROOMS, WE WILL HAVE THIS HAPPENING HUNDREDS OF TIMES PER DAY. AS TRAFFIC BACKS UP ON 51st STREET, THESE ARE DRIVERS TURNING LEFT FROM 51st INTO THE CIS COMPLEX AND ON TO ROWENA AND AVENUE F AND BACKING UP AT THE FIVE-WAY STOP AT 51st AND DUVAL TO THE EAST, CUT THROUGH TRAFFIC ON ROWENA AND AVENUES F, G AND H WILL ALSO INCREASE. AS A

FATHER OF FOUR AND SIX-YEAR-OLD BOYS LIVING ON AVENUE F, AN INCREASE IN FRUSTRATED RUSH HOUR DRIVERS TEARING DOWN MY STREET IS NOT AN APPEALING PROSPECT. ALONG WITH HOUSING COMES PARKING. AND THIS IS MY GREATEST CONCERN IN THIS SITUATION. CIS CAN BE EXPECTED TO PROVIDE THE MINIMUM ALLOWABLE NUMBER OF PARKING SPACES IN ORDER TO MAXIMIZE UNITS AND BEDROOMS AND THUS PROFIT. PROFIT BEING THE PRIMARY GOAL OF ANY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT. UNDER CURRENT PARKING GUIDELINES WITH UNITS LIKELY TO HAVE THREE OR MORE BEDROOMS, THERE WILL BE FEWER SPACES THAN TENANTS. LIKELY TENANTS, IF THE TRIANGLE COMPLEX AT GUADALUPE AND LARGE IS ANY INDICATION, IT WILL INCLUDE A HIGH CONCENTRATION OF COLLEGE STUDENTS. PLEASE REALIZE THE U.T. SHUTTLE ROUTE STOPS ARE IN CLOSE PROXIMITY AT THE U.T. INTERMURAL FIELD, MAKING A LOCATION MORE ATTRACTIVE TO THAT GROUP. STUDENTS ARE CONSIDERABLY MORE LIKELY TO DOUBLE UP AND SHARE BEDROOMS IN AN EFFORT TO LOWER EXPENSES, AND EACH WILL LIKELY HAVE AT LEAST ONE CAR. THAT MAKES IT QUITE LIKELY THAT THERE WILL NOT BE ENOUGH PARK SPACE FOR RESIDENTS ON THE PREMISES, LET ALONE THEIR GUESTS. WITH THAT SCENARIO IN PLACE IF THE CURRENT ENTRANCE AT 50th STREET IS LEFT AS EMERGENCY ACCESS WITH ANY FORM OF PEDESTRIAN ACCESS INCLUDED, IT WILL BE NO TIME BEFORE ROWENA STREET, AVENUE F, 50th STREET AND 50th AND A HALF STREET ARE CHOKED WITH OVERFLOW PARKING FROM THIS SITE. IT HAS BEEN STATED CIS WOULD PAY FOR RESIDENT ONLY PARKING PERMITS IN AN EFFORT TO OFFSET THE SITUATION. MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT CURRENTLY PERMITS COST \$200 PER YEAR PER VEHICLE. OUR FAMILY HAS THREE CARS. THAT IT WAS WORTH IT TO ME TO DEMOLISH MY HOME OF 10 YEARS AND REBUILD ON THE SAME LOT, IT SHOULD COME AS NO SURPRISE THAT I PLAN ON LIVING IN MY HOME FOR 20 OR MORE YEARS FROM NOW. AND I DOUBT CIS WILL COVER THE COST OF MY PERMITS UNTIL 2028 AT A COST OF \$12,000. NOT TO MENTION THE PERMIT COST FOR MY NEIGHBORS. ADDITIONALLY I WOULD BE BURDENED WITH THE POLICING OF THE PARKING AROUND MY PROPERTY. HAVING SEEN THE SITUATION IN PARTS OF THE NORTH UNIVERSITY NEIGHBORHOOD AND OTHERS WHERE RESIDENT ONLY PARKING IS SETUP, I HAVE NO DESIRE TO LIVE WITH IT. THOUGH I REALIZE THAT ZONING DOES NOT MAKE ALLOWABLE ACCESS POINTS, I FEEL STRONGLY THAT UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCE SHOULD PARKING ACCESS AT 50TH STREET BE ALLOWED FOR ANY MULTI-FAMILY DEVELOPMENT ON THIS PROPERTY IS GRANTED. COUNCILMEMBER MCCracken SUGGESTED TWO WEEKS AGO THAT MIXED USE ON THIS SITE SIMILAR TO THE TRIANGLE DEVELOPMENT WOULD BE A STEP TOWARDS THE CITY'S GOAL OF INCREASED INFILL DENSITY. BUT JUST CRAMMING MORE PEOPLE AND THEIR CARS INTO CENTRAL AUSTIN NEIGHBORHOODS AND STREETS DOES NOTHING TO PROMOTE A BETTER QUALITY OF LIFE FOR ANYONE IF YOU DON'T PROVIDE A WAY FOR THOSE PEOPLE TO FUNCTION WITHOUT THEIR CARS. THE TRUTH BE TOLD, THE PROPOSED CIS DEVELOPMENT, DESPITE THE FRAMEWORK OF THE HYDE PARK NCCD, IS NOT A GOOD FIT WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD IT IS PROPOSED FOR. ON THE OTHER HAND, SINGLE-FAMILY HOUSING ON THIS TRACT COULD BE A GREAT ADDITION TO OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. WE THE NEARBY RESIDENTS, WOULD PREFER ABOVE ALL FOR THIS TRACT TO BECOME PARKLAND DESPITE THE UNLIKELY CHANCE FOR THIS TO HAPPEN. THIS

TRACT IS A UNIQUE SPOT FOR ITS PROBLEMS AND ITS OFFERINGS, BUT RUBBER STAMPING THIS ZONING REQUEST WITHOUT FURTHER DIRECT INSPECTION OF THE SITUATION AND ITS IMPACT ON THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITY WOULD BE A GRAVE MISTAKE. INFILL AND INCREASED DENSITY HAVE A PLACE, BUT IF YOU TAKE THE TIME TO LOOK AT THIS PROJECT, YOU WILL SEE THAT IT IS NOT A GOOD FIT FOR THIS SITE. PLEASE TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO PROTECT THE QUALITY OF LIFE OF THE EXISTING RESIDENTS WHILE SIMULTANEOUSLY AVOIDING COMPOUNDING EXISTING TRAFFIC CONCERNS BY NOT GRANTING THE MULTI-FAMILY ZONING BEING REQUESTED BY CIS FOR THIS PROPERTY. THANK YOU.

Mayor Wynn: ANDY JONES IS OUR NEXT SPEAKER. WELCOME, MR. JONES. AND LIKEWISE A COUPLE OF FOLKS WANTED TO DONATE TIME TO YOU. IS NANCY BECKETT IN THE ROOM? NANCY BECKETT? HOW ABOUT JANET (INDISCERNIBLE). WELCOME. SO ANDY, YOU WILL HAVE UP TO SIX MINUTES IF YOU NEED T YOU WILL BE FOLLOWED BY JAMES PAINE.

MAYOR, CITY COUNCILMEMBERS, I APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK ON THIS MATTER THIS EVENING. IN THAT REGARD I NEED TO THANK MY WIFE PUBLICLY. I KNOW SHE CAN SEE US HERE. FOR ANOTHER LATE EVENING DOING SOME PUBLIC PROCESS. FIRST I'D LIKE TO STATE THAT IN MY COMMENTS ON THIS EFFORT ARE NOT ABOUT PARKS AND WILDLIFE SELLING THE PROPERTY. I WAS PAINFULLY INVOLVED IN THE LAST LEGISLATIVE SESSION ON THAT ISSUE, AND WE'RE GLAD THAT THEY'RE ABLE TO MOVE FORWARD AND OUT TO A NEW ACADEMY. SECOND, I'D LIKE TO ADDRESS KAREN MCGRAW'S E-MAIL THIS MORNING AND MY RESPONSE, WHICH ALL OF YOU RECEIVED. WHILE THERE WERE MEETINGS HELD AND THERE WERE DISCUSSIONS ABOUT THE PROJECT AMONG THE DEVELOPER AND NEIGHBORS, I WOULD RESPECTFULLY SUBMIT THAT NONE OF US REALLY UNDERSTOOD WHAT THE POTENTIAL WAS HERE AND FELT LIKE THERE WERE SOME KIND OF SIDE BOARDS ALREADY LAID OUT PRIOR TO ANY OF THOSE DISCUSSIONS. THUS THE NEIGHBORS MORE LOCAL TO THE PROJECT CHOSE TO GO DOWN THE ROAD OF SUBMITTING A PETITION THAT OUTLINED OUR CONCERNS. AND THERE HASN'T BEEN ANY MENTION OF THOSE PETITIONS TONIGHT. I ASSUME YOU HAVE THEM AND THEY'VE BEEN CHECKED OFF AS THE REAL THING? OKAY. ADMITTEDLY WE'VE DONE THIS KIND OF MID PROCESS AND REALIZED THAT'S KIND OF TOUGH ON THINGS, BUT WE'VE GOT TO DO WHAT WE HAVE TO DO. THEN AS THE LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE COMPANY MENTIONED, THEY DID OFFER SOME FURTHER MEETINGS LAST WEEK AND THEY ONLY HAD A FEW PEOPLE TURN OUT. I THINK PART OF THE REASON THERE IS WHEN YOU THROW LAWYERS IN THE MIX YOU SEND UP A FLARE SO YOU GET A MIXED SIGNAL. IT'S PROBABLY NOT A GOOD IDEA. SO REALLY MOVING ON HERE, THIS MATTER IS ABOUT THE INTEGRITY AND LONG-TERM SUSTAINABILITY OF OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. AS A LONG TIME RESIDENT OF HYDE PARK 20 YEARS, 18 YEARS AT MY CURRENT LOCATION, WHICH MY HOUSE BACKS UP TO THE SOUTH EDGE OF THE GAME WARDEN ACADEMY AT 49TH STREET. I AM VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE CONTINUED DEBATE ON INFILL AND DENSITY IN AUSTIN. AND WHILE I AGREE THAT IT'S ABSOLUTELY THE DIRECTION THAT THE CITY NEEDS TO GO, I DON'T AGREE WITH IMPACTING LONG ESTABLISHED NEIGHBORHOODS AND -- WITH INCOMPATIBILITY HIGH DENSITY INFILL. IT JUST DOESN'T MAKE A LOT OF SENSE. WE HAVE TO BE THINKING LONG-

TERM AND WE HAVE TO BE SMART ABOUT OUR DISCUSSIONS. THE NATIONAL RESEARCH IS AMAZING IF YOU GET ONLINE AND LOOK AT WHAT'S GOING ON WITH SMART GROWTH. I KNOW Y'ALL ARE PAINFULLY FAMILIAR WITH THAT AS WELL. AND ANYWAY, HOW TO DO THIS INFILL AND THE COMPATIBLE MANNER. AND THEN THE OTHER THING THAT WE HAVEN'T REALLY MENTIONED HERE AND YOU'VE PROBABLY SEEN IT FROM ME ON E-MAIL, IS THE CUMULATIVE IMPACTS ON WATER RESOURCES, WALLER CREEK AND THE CUMULATIVE IMPACT ON TRAFFIC. [ONE MOMENT, PLEASE, FOR CHANGE IN CAPTIONERS] BUT CURRENT DENSITY OF A NEIGHBORHOOD AND ADJOINING NEIGHBORHOODS DICTATES WE SHOULD BE LOOKING AT OPEN SPACE, WHICH WE NEED, OR A SOFTER FOOTPRINT WHICH WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE. THE SOFTER FOOT PRESENT WOULD BE SINGLE FAMILY HOUSING. I HAVE BROUGHT THIS UP IN THE MEETING WITH FOLKS BEFORE AND FOR EXAMPLE IF WE USE 40,000 AT 500,000 HOUSES EACH, THE INCOME IS \$16 MILLION,. 600,000 EACH. THOSE PRICES AREN'T OUT OF WACK FOR BEING IN THE CENTRAL AUSTIN AREA. BETWEEN, YOU KNOW, PROFESSORS, THE VIBRANT BUSINESS ECONOMY AND THE DESIRE TO LIVE CLOSE INTO TOWN, THE CITY AND NEIGHBORS COULD SEE A MODEL DEVELOPMENT TO EMBRACE AND ONE THAT WOULD ENHANCE THE NEIGHBORHOOD. SOME QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER MIGHT BE, DO WE CARE ABOUT THE NEIGHBORHOODS, I THINK WE DO. THEY ARE AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE DIVERSITY OF OUR CITY. DO WE CARE ABOUT THE CHARACTER OF OUR NEIGHBORHOODS? WE DO. THIS WILL CAUSE VERY LARGE INCREASE IN TRAFFIC. JUST SINCE MUELLER HAS COME ON-LINE AND BECAUSE OF THE PROBLEMS ON I-35 AND EVERYTHING ELSE, I'VE NOTICED CUT THROUGH TRAFFIC INCREASED AND WE'VE HAD THE POLICE OUT AND DO SOME SPEED CHECKS AND THEY'RE NOT GOING SLOW AND MANY, MANY KIDS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD. BUT WE WANT TO SEE A GREATER IMPACT ON OUR NATURAL RESOURCES, WALLER CREEK IN THIS CASE. THE GREENER INFRASTRUCTURE IS WHAT ATTRACTED PEOPLE TO AUSTIN AND IN THIS CASE THE COMPONENT THAT WOULD MAKE THE SINGLE FAMILY HOME VERY SUCCESSFUL. IN CLOSING, I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR TIME AND CONSIDER YOU ACTING ON THIS MATTER APT -- AT A LATER DATE AND DESIGNATING THIS TRACT. A COUPLE THINGS THAT WERE SAID A WHILE AGO PARKING AND I THINK ERIC BROUGHT IT UP TOO, IT IS A \$200 FEE PER CAR, PER RESIDENCE AND THAT AREA NORTH OF UNIVERSITY IS A DISASTER BECAUSE OF THAT. I'VE HAD FRIENDS THAT LIVED THERE AND TRIED TO PARK DOWN THERE AND IT IS NOT GOOD. THE BUFFER IS REQUIRED, I THINK. THEY SAID THERE WAS A FENCE. IT IS NOT FENCED ON WALLER CREEK [BEEPING]

ING] OKAY. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, MR. JONES. JAMES PAYNE IS OUR NEXT SPEAKER. WELCOME, MR. PAYNE, YOU WILL HAVE THREE MINUTES TO BE FOLLOWED BY RYAN ANDERSON.

YES, MAYOR, CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS, IT IS GREAT TO BE HERE TONIGHT WITH YOU. I WANTED TO START WITH SEVERAL POINTS THE GROUP DIDN'T REALLY COVER. THE HYDE PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION REALLY HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH OUR NEIGHBORHOOD, AND THEY'RE AGREEING WITH THE DEVELOPER'S PROPOSAL

ABSOLUTELY MEANS NOTHING. ALSO, PUBLIC MEETINGS GIVEN BY CAS HAVE BEEN OCCURRING I BELIEVE SINCE OCTOBER AND NEVER, THERE WAS NEVER THE IMPRESSION THAT WE HAD A CHOICE OR ANY REAL SAY IN THIS. IT WAS KIND OF LIKE I WOKE UP ONE MORNING AND I WAS DANCING WITH DOES HE FEELER AND THEY WERE TRY -- I WAS DANCING WITH DEVELOPER AND -- MY ANALOGY DIDN'T WORK. WHEN I WEIGHED THE HAZARDS TO THIS DEVELOPMENT, I WEIGHED SEVERAL ISSUES. THE FIRST ONE IS A 100-YEAR FLOOD PLAIN. MY PLACE, ON MY DEED I'M ON A FLOOD PLAIN. THAT WHOLE AREA IS BASICALLY FLOOD PRONE. SECOND, WITH THE PARKING THERE IS THE POTENTIAL OF MY GUESS IS BETWEEN 800 AND 1,000 CARS GOING IN AND OUT OF THIS PLACE AND WE KNOW AFTER SIX MONTHS IT WILL BASICALLY BE A NORTHWEST COME CAMPUS LOCATION. AFTER TRAFFIC, ALL THOSE CARS COMING OUT THERE ON TO 51st STREET. SOME PEOPLE WERE CONCERNED ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF AN IMMINENT DOMAIN THING GOING DOWN FROM I GUESS GUADALUPE EAST TO AIRPORT WHERE IT TURNS INTO TWO LANES EACH DIRECTION. THERE ARE STRICT REGULATIONS ABOUT DEVELOPMENT ON A 100-YEAR FLOOD PLAIN BUT IT SEEMS TO BE AN INVESTOR'S RISK TO BUILD ON A FLOOD PLAIN, BASICALLY. AND THE POINT THAT ANDY MADE EARLIER, AND I CONCUR WITH THAT, IT IS SOMETHING THAT IS TOTALLY DIFFERENT THAN THE HYDE PARK NEIGHBORHOOD, AND NEIGHBORHOODS LIKE THAT, IT IS WHAT MAKES AUSTIN, AUSTIN. AND I MENTIONED YEARS AGO AT A MEETING THAT THE VERY THINGS THAT ATTRACT PEOPLE TO AUSTIN ARE THE FIRST THINGS THAT ARE SACRIFICED IN IN-COMING DEVELOPMENT. I'M ALL FOR THE DOWNTOWN CONDO THICK, I -- CONDO THING, I LOVE 9 VERTICAL UP IN THE AIR THING, BUT THE PRECEDENT SET WHEN WE LET THESE CONDO THINGS SQUASH OUT OUR NEIGHBORHOODS [BEEPING] SO I JUST EXPRESS MY OPPOSITION TO THE DEVELOPMENT AND THE ZONING THING. SO THANK YOU. INTO THANK YOU, MR. PAYNE. RYAN ANDERSON SIGNED UP WISHING TO SPEAK. WELCOME, MR. ANDERSON. AND LET'S SEE, EARLIER I NOTED THAT MICHAEL BURMESTER WANTED TO DONATE TIME TO ELIZABETH WHO HAD TO LEAVE SO MICHAEL IS WELCOME TO GIVE HIS TESTIMONY IF HE WOULD LIKE.

MAYOR, COUNCILMEN, THANK YOU FOR HAVING ME. I'M LOCATED IN THE CONDOMINIUMS CADDY CORNER TO THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT ON 51st STREET. MY ADDRESS IS ON 51st STREET VERSUS OTHER PEOPLE TONIGHT ON ROWENA. I APPRECIATE THEIR COMMENTS AND THE DISCUSSION ABOUT INCREASED TRAFFIC ON 51st, PARTICULARLY IN RELATION TO THE SAFETY. THE SAFETY OF THE PEOPLE COMING OFF ROWENA. SO MY PROPERTY IS IMMEDIATE TO THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT, MEANING I LOOKED OVER 51s, THE INTERSECTION OF 51s AND ROWENA AND I SIT ON MY PATIO WITH MY ROOMMATE AND WE ARE IN SHOCK EVERY TIME WE SIT UP THERE BECAUSE EVERY TIME WE SIT UP THERE WE ALMOST SEE AN ACCIDENT ON 51st. I FEEL FOR PEOPLE WHO HAVE TO PULL INTO THAT EVERY DAY. FOR ME IT IS AN INCONVENIENCE BUT IT IS NOT A SAFETY ISSUE BECAUSE IT IS NOT A BLIND CURVE BUT IT IS FOR THEM. THAT STRETCH OF ROAD WHERE THE PROPOSED ENTRANCE, ONLY ENTRANCE AND PROPOSED EXIT TO THE DEVELOPMENT IS IN BETWEEN THE ROAD AND I'M SURE ALL OF YOU HAVE DRIVEN IT BEFORE AND NOTICED THE AWKWARDNESS OF THAT STRETCH OF ROAD AND ALSO THE IMMINENT DANGER OF HAVING

AN ENTRY AND EXIT OFF OF THAT WITH 2,000 VEHICLES PER DAY, WHAT KIND OF SAFETY IMPOSITION THAT IMPOSES. SO I'M REALLY GOING TO FOCUS ON THAT AND I APPRECIATE THE FORMER STANCES ON THE PARKING. I'VE ONLY BEEN A MEMBER IN THE COMMUNITY FOR TWO YEARS, AND I'M ALSO NOT A MEMBER OF THE HYDE PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION. BUT I CAN REALLY APPRECIATE THE IMPACT THAT THEY'RE GOING TO SEE ON THE PARKING ON THEIR STREETS. WE'RE LUCKY ENOUGH TO HAVE A SPOT WE'RE ASSIGNED TO BUT I CAN'T IMAGINE HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE GOING TO HAVE TO PARK ON ROWENA, OR 50th STREET.

MR. ANDERSON. AND LET'S SEE. MICHAEL BURMESTER, SORRY IF I MISPRONOUNCED. THAT YOU ARE WELCOME TO GIVE US TESTIMONY AS YOU WERE GOING TO DONATE YOUR TIME EARLIER AND DIDN'T GET A CHANCE.

I WANTED TO ASK IF I COULD INSTEAD DONATE MY TIME TO ANDY JONES BUT SHE COULDN'T BE HERE.

WITHOUT OBJECTION, COUNCIL, THANK YOU. WELCOME BACK MR. JONES.

THANK YOU, MAYOR.

THREE MORE MINUTES.

THANK YOU. I JUST WANT TO ADDRESS A COUPLE MORE ISSUES. ONE, THEY BROUGHT UP THE FLOOD PLAIN ISSUE, I SPENT SOME TIME WITH YOUR FLOOD PLAIN MANAGEMENT FOLKS AND THERE IS INDEED A FLOOD ISSUE IN THAT AREA, HAVING BEEN THERE 18 YEARS I'VE SEEN THE WATER SEVERAL TIMES ON BIG RAIN EVENTS WHERE IT COMES OVER 51st STREET, IT COMES UP AROUND THE ACADEMY, COVERS UP PART OF THE ARCHERY FIELD, BEHIND ROWENA AND THE ACADEMY AND THE WATER GOES OVER 45th STREET AND CUTS AT AN ANGLE DOWNSTREAM. I THINK YOU ARE FAMILIAR WITH THE APARTMENTS THERE AT THAT TURN WHERE THEY CATCH A LOT OF RAIN AND WATER AND HAVE SOME MAJOR FLOODING PROBLEMS. SO I KNOW, ONE OF THE QUESTIONS I GUESS TO CONSIDER HERE IS DO WE WANT TO SPEND MORE, A LOT OF MONEY LATER OR DO WE WANT TO MITIGATE THIS POTENTIAL FLOODING ISSUE NOW. BECAUSE THE WATER DOES GET UP PRETTY HIGH THERE. THE OTHER QUESTION I HAVE, AND WE HAVEN'T GOTTEN A SOUND ANSWER ON THIS IS THE SOUND END OF THIS PROPERTY WHERE THE GAME WARDENS HAVE THEIR OBSTACLE COURSE THAT PROPERTY IS COMPLETELY BUILT ON FILL. I TALKED TO SEVERAL NEIGHBORS, WITH SOME DIES THERE SINCE 1950, THEY SAID TRUCKS USED TO COME IN THERE AND DUMP STUFF ALL THE TIME. BECAUSE IT IS NOT A STATE PROPERTY, WE DIDN'T FIND ANY RECORDS BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T HAVE TO GET A PERMIT FROM THEMSELVES I GUESS. THAT IS SOMETHING TO CONSIDER AS WELL. I DON'T KNOW ABOUT WHAT YOU CAN DO TO BUILD ON THAT, MAYBE DEEPER BUT THOSE ARE TWO POINTS I WANTED TO BRING UP. I WAS ASKED TO BRING STUFF UP ABOUT THE TEXAS WATER LAW AND THE FEDERAL COMPLIANCE, I GUESS POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS, I'M NOT GOING TO DO THAT, THAT IS NOT

SOMETHING I WANT TO DO RIGHT NOW. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, MR. JONES. SO COUNCIL, I BELIEVE THAT'S -- I WAS ABOUT TO SAY THAT IS ALL THE FOLKS THAT WANT TO GIVE US TESTIMONY BUT IF YOU SIGNED UP, COME UP AND SPEAK, STATE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD PLEASE. ARE YOU BRIAN?

YES, I'M BRIAN, FOR THE RECORD. I JUST HAVE SOME PLAIN PAPER PICTURES THAT I DON'T KNOW IF THEY WILL SHOW UP.

THE OVERHEAD SHOULD BE ABLE TO PECK IT UP.

OKAY. I GUESS, I'M REALLY GOING TO REPEAT A LOT OF WHAT HAS BEEN SAID, BUT I'VE LIVED IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD ALL OF MY LIFE AND MY PARENTS LIVED THERE SINCE 1946. SO WE'VE SEEN A LOT OF CHANGE DURING THAT TIME, OF COURSE, BUT THAT LANDFILL THAT, I DON'T KNOW, SOMEONE TERM IT AS SLAG THAT COVERS THE BACK THIRD OR TWO-THIRDS OF THE PROPERTY, THAT WAS PUT THERE PROBABLY IN ABOUT 1972 OR '73. AND I USED TO GO DOWN THERE AS A CHILD AND PLAY IN IT, YOU KNOW, PLAY IN, YOU KNOW, GO DOWN AND PLAY IN THE ROCKS AND STUFF. IT IS A LOT OF OLD SIDEWALKS AND CURBS THAT HAVE BEEN BULLDOZED UP AND THAT WAS LAID DOWN FIRST, AND THEN DIRT ON TOP OF THAT. ANYWAY, THE THING THAT I WANTED TO POINT OUT IN THIS FIRST PICTURE WAS JUST, YOU KNOW, THE PROPERTY, THE ARCHERY FIELDS, THIS IS KIND OF A CLEAR VIEW OF THAT. THE NEXT PICTURE IS THE DEVELOPMENT PICTURE. AND IF YOU NOTICE, THERE'S ELEVATIONS, WATER ELEVATIONS HERE BY FEMA, AND THERE -- LET'S SEE, UP BY 51st STREET, I THINK IT IS AROUND 640 FEET, BUT RIGHT DOWN WHERE WALNUT CREEK IS THAT IS 630 FEET, ALL ALONG THAT CREEK, AND THEN AT THE BACK END OF THE PROPERTY, CLOSEST TO THE ARCHERY FIELD, IT SAYS 630 FEET, AND THEN TOWARDS ROWENA, A DIVIDER, THE BUFFER ON THE PROPERTIES AND ROWENA IS 630 FEET. THE NEXT PICTURE IS, I GOT FROM THE CITY, IT REALLY STATES THE SAME THINGS. 630 FEET ALL ALONG THE SAME AREAS, EXCEPT, YOU KNOW, IT GOES INTO A LITTLE MORE DETAIL. THE NEXT PICTURE, I THINK, IS REALLY KIND OF INTERESTING. BECAUSE I'VE TRIED TO DISCUSS THIS WITH SEVERAL PEOPLE, AND [BEEPING] I'M SORRY.

JUST CONCLUDE.

OKAY. WELL, JUST WHAT I WANTED TO POINT OUT WAS THE LAND ELEVATION AND THE WATER TABLE SHOWN HERE, YOU KNOW, YOU COULD KIND OF LAY THEM OVER ONE ANOTHER AND I THINK, I THINK YOU WOULD SEE THE AREA IS PRETTY -- I'VE SEEN WATER OVER IT JUST AS THIS LAST GENTLEMAN WAS SAYING. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU. BRIAN. COUNCIL, I BELIEVE THAT IS ALL THE FOLKS WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO GIVE US TESTIMONY. IF YOU HAVE, THEN STEP UP AND STATE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD. HANG ON. FOLKS WHO SIGNED UP NOT WISHING TO SPEAK, ALSO IN OPPOSITION INCLUDE. DEBRA WOLFENSON, MEGAN ROUGHER AND JOSH WILSON. FOLKS SIGNED UP

NOT WISHING TO SPEAK IN FAVOR INCLUDE MIKE DALLAS, DENNIS McDANIEL AND DAVID CON NOR. THAT IS ALL THE FOLKS IN OPPOSITION AND THE FOLKS NOT WISHING TO TESTIFY. WE NOW HAVE A ONE-TIME, THREE-MEN REBUTTAL FROM THE APPLICANT.

MY NAME IS JOHN KNOLL, AN ENGINEER WITH THE URBAN DESIGN GROUP, ENGINEERS FOR THE APPLICANT. I'VE BEEN TAKING SOME NOTES, A WHOLE LOT OF ANECDOTAL THINGS HAVE BEEN BROUGHT UP AND I WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS JUST A FEW OF THOSE. THE APPLICANT WILL BE REQUIRED TO DEDICATE AN ADDITIONAL 18 FEET OF RIGHT OF WAY WHICH WILL ALLOW THE CITY TO MAKE AN EXPANSION EVENTUALLY ON 51st STREET, WHEN IT IS WARRANTED. A TIA IS NOT REQUIRED BY THE CITY IN A SITUATION LIKE THIS. THERE IS A THRESHOLD THAT WAS ESTABLISHED BY THE CITY AND DAILY TRAFFIC VOLUMES LESS THAN THAT ARE NOT MATERIAL TO THE OVERALL TRAFFIC CONSIDERATION, AND ARE NOT REQUIRED TO DO THE EXTENSIVE ANALYSIS THAT IS IN A TIA. THE CITY STANDARDS FOR PARKING WILL, OF COURSE, APPLY TO THIS PROPERTY. THERE WILL BE PARKING THAT IS CONSISTENT WITH YOUR REGULATIONS, AND THERE WILL BE OFF-STREET PARKING PROVIDED FOR ALL OF THE UNITS, AND THAT IS FIGURED ON THE BASIS OF THE NUMBER OF BEDROOMS THAT ARE IN THESE UNITS, SO THE MORE BEDROOMS THEY HAVE, THE MORE PARKING THAT YOU HAVE TO HAVE IN MULTIFAMILY. WITH RESPECT TO THE FLOOD PLAIN ISSUES, THE LAST FEMA MAP THAT YOU SAW UP THERE IS NOT ACCURATE. IT IS OUT OF DATE. THE PREVIOUS ONE THAT YOU SAW UP THERE IS A BIT MISLEADING BECAUSE THE WIDEST PART OF THAT IS THE 500-YEAR FLOOD PLAIN, WHICH IS NOT THE REGULATORY FLOOD PLAIN THAT THE CITY OR FEMA USES. THAT IS CALCULATED BY, IN FEMA STUDIES AS AN INFORMATION ITEM BUT IT IS NOT THE REGULATORY FLOOD PLAIN. THE CITY'S FLOOD PLAIN POLICY WILL REQUIRE THAT THE APPLICANT WILL NOT HAVE ANY IMPACT, ZERO IMPACT ON THE FLOOD PLAIN LEVEL IN THIS AREA. THE CITY WILL CORRECT THAT WHENEVER THE STREET IS UP GRADE BUT FOR NOW THAT HAS A PROFOUND IMPACT ON WHAT THE FLOOD PLAIN IS HERE. THE PROJECT WILL BE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE DETENTION, SUCH THAT THE RUN-OFF FROM THE SITE DOES NOT INCREASE THE FLOODING PROBLEM, NONE OF THE SURROUNDING AREA, THE SINGLE FAMILY DEVELOPMENTS, NONE OF THE STATE'S FIELDSSES OR ANYTHING PROVIDE ANY DETENTION WHAT SO EVER AND THESE DEVELOPMENTS THAT HAPPENED PRIOR TO THE '70s, WHENEVER YOU ADOPTED THESE STANDARDS, ARE TYPICALLY THE CAUSE OF THE DIFFICULTS WITH RESPECT TO FLOODING WHICH YOU'VE ADDRESSED DOWNSTREAM IN THE DOWNTOWN AREA THROUGH THE TUNNEL [BEEPING] THE PROJECT WILL ALSO PROVIDE WATER QUALITY PONDS TO ADDRESS THE WATER QUALITY CONSIDERATIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE DEVELOPMENT, NONE MUCH WHICH HAVE BEEN PROVIDED ON ANY OF THE SURROUNDING DEVELOPMENT. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS I WOULD BE HAPPY TO ANSWER THEM

MAYOR WYNN: THANK YOU, SIR. QUESTIONS FOR OUR ENGINEER? COMMENTS? THANK YOU, ER IS. , -- THANK YOU, SIR. SO THOUGHTS? QUESTIONS OF STAFF OR ANYBODY ELSE? COMMENTS? MR. GUERNSEY.

SOME CITIZENS CAME FORWARD TO SPEAK, SPOKE TO A PETITION. AND ALTHOUGH STAFF

LOOKS AT THIS AS NOT NECESSARILY REZONING CASE, IT IS ACTUALLY ESTABLISHING INITIAL ZONING WHICH IS A DIFFERENCE THAT IS RECOGNIZED BY OUR ORDINANCE AND WE ALSO BELIEVE BY STATE LAW AND THERE IS CASE LAW THAT ADDRESSES THAT. BUT WE DID TAKE THE TIME TO CALCULATE BASED ON THE SIGNATURES THAT WERE SUBMITTED, I DON'T SAY A PETITION BUT OPPOSITION WITHIN 200 FEET. AND THE CALCULATIONS WERE BASED ON THE ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNERS THAT WERE WITHIN THAT AREA, THEY DID NOT RISE TO THE LEVEL THAT, IF WE COULD CALCULATE A VALID PETITION, IT DID NOT MEET THE 20% THRESHOLD. IT WAS A LITTLE OVER 16%, AND THESE ARE THE PROPERTY OWNERS THAT WE IDENTIFIED. THE METHOD THAT WE USE, WE LOOKED AT THE TRAVIS COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT RECORDS AND MATCH THEM WITH THE SIGNATURES ON THE PROPERTY. IF THERE IS A JOINT OWNERSHIP IF ONE OF THOSE NAMES APPEARS ON THE TAX ROLES, WE WOULD ACCOUNT FOR THAT. I JUST WANTED TO LET YOU KNOW WE DID INVESTIGATE THAT. IF THIS WERE A VALID PETITION, IT WOULD BE TRIGGERED AT THE TIME OF THIRD READING. TODAY WE ARE ONLY PREPARED TO GO ON FIRST READING AND WE ARE STILL WORKING ON THE CASE BECAUSE WE WOULD BE AMENDING THE ORIGINAL NORTH HYDE PARK DISTRICT AND TRYING TO LAY ALL THESE DIFFERENT CONDITIONS IS TAKING THE STAFF A LITTLE LONGER THAN NORMAL TO MAKE SURE WE COVER EVERYTHING AND WE WANT TO MAKE SURE WHEN WE DO BRING IT BACK TO THIRD READING EVERYONE HAS TO A CHANCE TO REVIEW THIS APPLICANT. I SPOKE WITH A TRANSPORTATION PLANNER, WITH THE CITY MANY YEARS, AND ASKED HIM WHAT WAS THE CALCULATION BY THE TRANSPORTATION STAFF HE WAS ASSOCIATED WITH ON A NUMBER OF VEHICLE TRIPS THAT WOULD BE GENERATED BY THIS PROJECT BASED ON ABOUT 6.7 TRIPS PER UNIT AND APPROXIMATELY 138 UNITS WERE PROPOSED IN THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION AND IT COMES OUT TO ABOUT 924 VEHICLE TRIPS PER DAY ESTIMATED, AND THAT IS USING THE TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER'S DATA SO I WANTED TO MAKE SURE YOU WERE AWARE OF THAT AS WELL.

MAYOR WYNN: THANK YOU, MR. GUERNSEY. QUESTIONS FOR STAFF? COUNCIL, COMMENTS? AS WE HEARD, STAFF IS NOT PREPARED FOR THIRD READING.

THAT IS RIGHT. WE WOULD BE PREPARED TO BRING THIS BACK, WE BELIEVE IN TWO WEEKS. WE COULD BRING THIS BACK FOR SECOND AND THIRD READING CONSIDERATION AT YOUR NEXT MEETING WHICH I BELIEVE IS MAY 8.

MAYOR WYNN: CORRECT. QUESTIONS, THOUGHTS, COUNCIL? COUNCIL MEMBER COLE.

COUNCIL MEMBER COLE: MAYOR, WE'VE HEARD A LOT ABOUT THE ACCESS ISSUE, AND I TRULY APPRECIATE THE DISCUSSIONS THAT THE APPLICANT AND THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION HAS WENT THROUGH AND THE MEETINGS THAT THEY HAD AND I THINK THAT WE SHOULD RESPECT THAT AGREEMENT. SO I WILL GO AHEAD AND MAKE A MOTION THAT WE ADOPT THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION, BUT INCLUDE THE AGREEMENT THAT WAS BETWEEN THE APPLICANT AND THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION THAT THEY

CLOSED OFF ACCESS AND LOCKED GATES.

THAT WOULD BE FOR BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ACCESS FROM 50th STREET AND STILL ALLOW EMERGENCY VEHICLE ASSESS THROUGH A LOCKED GATE TO GET THROUGH THE PROPERTY.

A MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER COLE TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVE ON FIRST READING ONLY PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION WITH THE ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS, VIS-A-VIS, ACCESS CONTAINED IN THE AGREEMENT WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION. MAYOR PRO TEM.

MR. MAYOR, MR. RUST HAD HAD HOVEN REMINDED ME THAT PRECOLLUSION FOR BICYCLE ACCESS ON 50s, THEY MIGHT STILL ALLOW THE EMERGENCY ACCESS.

THAT IS FINE.

MAYOR WYNN: THANK YOU, MR. GUERNSEY. MOTION AND SECOND ON THE TABLE. FURTHER COMMENTS? SO FOR MY SAKE, MR. GUERNSEY, FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION THAT YOU AND YOUR STAFF WILL TRY TO GET FOR US PRIOR TO THE NEXT READING WOULD INCLUDE WHAT?

WELL, WE'LL PREPARE THE ORDINANCE, IF THIS APPROVES ON FIRST READING IT WILL DELETE THE PROVISIONS THAT SPEAK TO THE BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ACCESS. WE CAN CERTAINLY GO BACK AND LOOK AT THE FLOOD PLAIN ISSUE AGAIN TO VERIFY ITS BOUNDARIES AND HAVE THAT AS PART OF THE BACK-UP MATERIAL, AND ALSO IF THERE ARE ANY ADDITIONAL SIGNATURES THE NEIGHBORHOOD WOULD LIKE TO PROVIDE US WE WILL CERTAINLY INCLUDE THAT, I DON'T SAY THE PETITION, BUT IN THE NOTICE OF OPPOSITION. ALSO, WE WILL WORK WITH COUNCIL MEMBER MARTINEZ AS HE MENTIONED EARLIER IN THE DAY AT LOOKING AT UNZONED PROPERTY IN THE CITY OWNED BY THE STATE AND CONSIDERING THAT FOR A POSSIBLE REZONING OR OTHER REMEDY.

MAYOR WYNN: OKAY. FURTHER QUESTIONS, COMMENTS? WE HAVE A MOTION AND SECOND ON THE TABLE. FIRST READING ONLY. ALL IN FAVOR, PLEASE SAY AYE. AYE. OPPOSED? MOTION PASSES ON FIRST READING ONLY ON A VOTE OF 6-0 WITH COUNCIL MEMBER McCracken OFF THE DAIS.

THANK YOU, MAYOR THAT CONCLUDES OUR ZONING ITEMS THIS EVENING.

MAYOR WYNN: THANK YOU, MR. GUERNSEY. THERE BEING NO MORE BUSINESS BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL, WE STAND ADJOURNED. IT IS 8:56 P.M. THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH.

End of Council Session Closed Caption Log

